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JOHNSON GENERATIONS

I.	John[1] Johnson (Captain) - - -	m.	1. Margaret ——
			2. Grace Fawer
II.	Isaac[2] Johnson (Captain) - - -	m.	Elizabeth Porter
III.	Isaac[3] Johnson, Jr. - - - - - -	m.	Mary Harris
IV.	Isaac[4] Johnson III - - - - - -	m.	Margaret Miller
V.	Isaac[5] Johnson IV - - - - - -	m.	Thankful Cowles
VI.	Timothy[6] Johnson - - - - - -	m.	Mary Phelps
VII.	Levi[7] Johnson - - - - - - - -	m.	1. Eunice
		m.	2. Polly Rood
VIII.	Hannah[8] Johnson - - - - - - -	m.	Leman Palmer
IX.	Polly[9] Palmer - - - - - - - -	m.	Robert Henderson

PALMER GENERATIONS

I.	William[1] Palmer - - - - - - -	m.	?
II.	Michael[2] Palmer - - - - - - -	m.	Mary ——
III.	Joshua[3] Palmer - - - - - - -	m.	Jemima Moore
IV.	Enoch[4] Palmer - - - - - - - -	m.	Elizabeth Butler
V.	Benjamin[5] Palmer - - - - - - -	m.	Sarah Moore
VI.	Leman[6] Palmer - - - - - - -	m.	Hannah Johnson
VII.	Polly[7] Palmer - - - - - - - -	m.	Robert Henderson

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Mr. W. E. Johnson—Certified copies of vital statistics; deeds; some wills; and other documentary proof of the early New England ancestry.

Mr. Dwight Kilbourne (now deceased)—Some documentary proofs of the (early) Palmer line.

Mr. Levi Ganser (now deceased) of Falls Village, remembered his grandfather, Timothy Johnson, and he and his wife, Mrs. (Dean) Ganser, went with the Porters in 1910 to the Under mountain and Lower mountain cemeteries for the records of several of the Johnsons. They also showed us the "Crown lands" and the chimney with foundation of the Johnson home (built by Timothy), and furnished picture, copy of which appears in this record. The chimney was soon after blown over and the land had been purchased for a Club site. They gave us the address of Mr. W. E. Johnson of Hartford, Connecticut.

Probate records (copies) from Boston, Mass.; Hartford; Sharon; and Middletown, Conn.; Warren, Ohio, and Anamosa, Iowa.

Church, land, and cemetery records of Canaan, Conn.; Middletown, Conn., and Warren, Ohio.

Savage's Dictionary, Winthrop's and Drake's histories, Boyd's Annals of New England, and various family records in many genealogical libraries have been consulted for verification purposes.

Suggestions by Mr. John Abbott (author of "The Courtright Family" and descendant of Joseph Weld of these records) and Mrs. Abbott.

Mrs. E. L. Laird and Mrs. A. N. Maltby have furnished some authentic records, the former from the Kansas City Public Library, and the latter from the Missouri Valley Historical Society genealogical departments.

The collection of Middle West records has been greatly facilitated by the good work of our assistants.

Lastly, the verification of dates and places, coupled with the unfailing interest and cooperation of Mr. Joseph F. Porter, has made this book possible.

INTRODUCTION

It is not an easy matter to trace a family line through almost three hundred years and nine or more generations. This is particularly difficult if attempted when most of ninth generation are no longer living.

Polly (Palmer) Henderson, who died in 1912, was the youngest and last member of her family of the ninth generation.

Having been born and brought up in Western Reserve, Ohio, she knew little of the history of her family in its earlier New England home.

She did know that her mother, Hannah (Johnson) Palmer, was born, grew to womanhood, and was married to Leman Palmer in Canaan, Connecticut, where all their children except she herself were born before the removal of the family home to Ohio.

She remembered that her mother's father was named Levi and his father Timothy Johnson. Of her grandmother Johnson, she knew only that her name was Eunice and that she died when Hannah, Polly's mother, was very young.

She had made a memorable visit when young to Winsted, Connecticut, where she met several of her father's people, whom she remembered favorably, some of whom later removed to Ohio.

Beginning with these few facts, in 1910 Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Porter made a hurried visit to Canaan and Hartford, Connecticut, which resulted in a good start on the collection of helpful genealogical material for this book, through aid of Mr. Levi Ganser of Falls Village and Mr. W. E. Johnson of Hartford, Connecticut—both being descendants of the emigrant ancestor, John Johnson.

While this record is far from complete, it has been our aim to establish proof for our claims just as far as possible that others who follow may not have the same difficulties encountered by us in tracing the line farther.

Too much credit cannot be given to those New England descendants of the same (Early) ancestral line, who have painstakingly collected data and have given freely of their own authentic collections for our use.

Future generations will be grateful to the keepers of church, town, and family records; to Historical Societies, and to various individuals who have faithfully preserved wills, deeds, marriage and birth records, for as was said by the great Daniel Webster in part,

"There is a moral and philosophical respect for our ancestors which elevates the character and improves the heart."

JOHN[1] JOHNSON

Emigrant Ancestor

The destruction of the first town records of Roxbury, Mass., as recounted below, has left much of the history of its early inhabitants and the vicissitudes of their landing in this new country to conjecture only.

We do not know of the home in England, the name of the boat, nor yet the exact date of arrival in the colonies of the original emigrant, John Johnson, his wife Margaret, and their five children.

As he was elected Constable of Roxbury (now a part of Boston), October 19, 1630, and became a Freeman May 18, 1631 (Drake's History), it has reasonably been assumed that the family may have come from England with Winthrop's large fleet which arrived in Salem, Mass., June 22, 1630.

He has been referred to as "Surveyor General of all ye armies." His having been of high authority in military matters may account for the large amount of ammunition which was stored on his home grounds, and which exploded with such force when his house and outbuildings burned, Feb. 6, 1645, during his absence from home. It is reported "that this explosion shook houses in Boston and Cambridge with the shock of an earthquake." It was this fire which destroyed the town records and school charter of Roxbury. For full report see "Winthrop's History."

John Johnson was representative at court for many years (1634-1659) (See Reg. of Mass. Colonial Dames). He was an original member and clerk of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery, and was referred to as Captain John Johnson (Savage's Dictionary).

The Roseboom-Johnson History connects him with his official duties in an interesting manner with the historic case of Anne Hutchinson of *witchcraft* fame.

When she was taken into custody on a charge of heresy, the court ordered "that the arms of her Roxbury adherents be delivered to goodman Johnson, and the town of Roxbury be required to take orders for their custody and if any charge arise it be defrayed by her husband."

We learn from the Weld family history, "That after the trial of Anne Hutchinson and her sentence of banishment by the Massachusetts Bay Colony, that she was kept a prisoner in the home of Joseph Weld. He was an important man in the colony and father of Mary

(Weld) Harris whose daughter, Mary, married Isaac Johnson, Jr., grandson of John Johnson."

Her stay in the house was from November, 1636, to April, 1637, and she states "that except for the fact that she must have a companion when she went for a walk, she would have thought herself an honored guest in the house."

She is further connected historically with these records, in so much as the Bartholomew records state that she came from England on the boat Griffin, on which were Rev. Zachary Symmes, Wm. Bartholomew, Rev. Lathrop and about thirty others. This Wm. Bartholomew was the father of William who married Mary Johnson (See allied families).

We have many accounts of men holding important positions in the colonies receiving land grants for their services. This was probably due to the vast amount of vacant land at the time, making it the cheapest commodity for the purpose. From various sources we gather that John Johnson was highly regarded in his official capacity as "Surveyor of all ye armies," and an interesting Court Order (Roseboom-Johnson records) of May 6, 1657, decreed "That Mr. John Johnson having bin long serviceable in the place of surveyor gen'll, for which he hath never had any satisfaction, which this court considering of thinkes meet to graunt him 300 acors in any place where he can find it according to law."

He died in Roxbury, September 30, 1659. See copy of his will under "Wills."

At present we only know of his first wife, MARGARET, that she came with the family from England and died in Roxbury, Mass., June 9, 1655, and was the mother of the five children.

His second wife, GRACE (NEGUS) FAWER, was the widow of one Barnabas Fawer, who had come from England in 1635 and had died December 13, 1654, leaving one child, Eleazor Fawer. This we gain from the Roseboom-Johnson records.

She survived JOHN JOHNSON.

Children of Margaret and John Johnson:

CAPTAIN ISAAC,[2] m. ELIZABETH PORTER
HUMPHREY,[2] m. ELLEN CHENEY
MARY,[2] m. ROGER MOWRY
ELIZABETH,[2] m. ROBERT PEPPER
A DAUGHTER [2]

CAPTAIN ISAAC[2] JOHNSON

Captain Isaac[2] Johnson was the eldest child of John and Margaret Johnson. He came from England with his parents and settled in Roxbury, Mass. It was here that he married Elizabeth Porter, Jan. 20, 1637, and it was here that their children were born.

He was a member of the church and made a Freeman March 4, 1635. Referring to the Bartholomew records we find that among several others who were made Freemen at the same time as Isaac Johnson was William Bartholomew, whose son subsequently married Mary[3], daughter of Captain Isaac[2] Johnson. He became a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery in 1645. There are several accounts of his bravery on different occasions—the one best known is when he lost his life, with several others of high rank, in "King Philip's War" in the historic "Fort fight." He was leading his men over a felled tree bridge, the only entrance to the Narragansett stronghold, when he was shot dead, December 19, 1675. (Reg. Mass. Colonial Dames.)

His wife, Elizabeth Porter Johnson, died in Roxbury, on August 13, 1683.

Their Children:

Elizabeth,[3] Johnson, born Dec. 24, 1637; married Henry Bowen, Dec. 20, 1658. He died April 20, 1701.
John[3] (died young)
Mary,[3] born April 24, 1642; married William Bartholomew (Lieut.) Dec. 17, 1663
Isaac[3] Johnson, Jr., born Nov. 7, 1643; married Mary Harris, Dec. 26, 1669
Nathaniel[3] Johnson, born May 1, 1647; married Mary Smith, April 29, 1667

ISAAC[3] JOHNSON, JR.

Isaac[3] Johnson, Jr., son of Captain Isaac[2] Johnson and Elizabeth Porter Johnson, was born in Roxbury, Mass., Nov. 7, 1643, and removed from there to Middletown, Conn., where he was admitted by letter from the Roxbury Church to the Church of Middletown, Nov. 26, 1672. He married Dec. 26, 1669, Mary Harris, daughter of Daniel Harris and Mary (Weld) Harris, who was born in Rowley, Mass., Feb. 2, 1651, and died in Middletown, Aug. 1, 1740.

Isaac Johnson, Jr., died in Middletown, Conn., Feb. 23, 1719. (Shown as Old Style 1719/20.) He is buried under a tree near the railroad track. (See cemetery record.)

Their Children:

Isaac[4], III, born Dec. 19, 1670; married Margaret Miller Sept. 12, 1695, Middletown, Conn.
Daniel,[4] born Oct. 8, 1672/3; married Abigail Leek, Feb. 11, 1707; died Jan. 28, 1758. Abigail died Oct. 12, 1757. Both died and buried in Middletown, Conn.
John[4] (died young)
Joseph,[4] born March 9, 1677
Nathaniel,[4] born Jan. 17, 1679
Elizabeth,[4] born Feb. 19, 1681
William,[4] born March 14, 1683, (died young)
Mary,[4] born Jan. 18, 1687
Ebenezer,[4] (died young)

ISAAC[4] JOHNSON III

Isaac[4] Johnson III, the eldest child of Isaac Johnson, Jr., and wife, Mary Harris Johnson, was born Dec. 19, 1670, in Middletown, Conn., and died there, March 23, 1744. He married Margaret Miller (daughter of Thomas and Sarah Nettleton Miller) Sept. 12, 1675. Margaret died Dec. 31, 1764, in Middletown, Conn. Farmers by occupation. *See cemetery records.*

Their Children: (names derived from his will)

John,[5] Stephen,[5] Thomas,[5] Isaac IV,[5] Henry,[5] William,[5] Sarah,[5] Margaret,[5] Content,[5] Tabitha,[5] Mary[5] *and* Hannah[5]

ISAAC[5] JOHNSON IV

Isaac[5] Johnson IV was born Apr. 19, 1703, and married Thankful, daughter of Nathaniel and Phebe (Woodruff) Cowles of Farmington, Conn. She was born July 21, 1700, and died in Canaan, Conn. (to which place they had removed from Middletown, Conn.) Feb. 28, 1785. He died in Canaan, Conn., July 1, 1786. In 1747 he had sold the land his father had given him (the 80 acres) and was living in Canaan, Conn., in 1770.

His will mentions four *children*:
Timothy,[6] Margaret[6] (Hogg),, Asa[6] and Submit[6] (Harris)

TIMOTHY[6] JOHNSON

Among the children mentioned in the will of Isaac[5] IV is TIMOTHY JOHNSON, born in Canaan, Conn., June 2, 1729. He married MARY PHELPS of Windsor, Dec. 5, 1753, and died in Canaan, Sept. 29, 1812. His wife died May 29, 1799. No will has been found but a deed to his acreage to Levi appears under "Deeds," and also the Baptismal record under "Church records."

LEVI[7] JOHNSON

LEVI JOHNSON was baptised 1769 and married at the age of about sixteen years, or 1785 (Levi Ganser, his grandson, authority) to EUNICE. She died Oct. 21, 1800, at age of thirty-two years (see Undermountain Cemetery records). He married second POLLY ROOD. He died of typhoid fever Feb. 25, 1822. (Lower City Cemetery Records.)

Children of Levi and Eunice M. Johnson:

HIRAM[8] (died young)
URSULA[8] (remained single)
ANNIE[8]
MARY,[8] m. GEORGE ROOT in Ohio
OLIVE,[8] m. MAJOR PECK; their cemetery records, together with that of Mary Peck, their daughter, who never married and was a favorite cousin of Polly Palmer Henderson, are in cemetery out of Falls Village, (Sand Hill Cemetery).
HIRAM,[8] His son EDWARD m. and had a daughter LOUISE, who lived with her mother's people after her mother's death and m. MR. E. E. CLARK
ELIHU,[8] d. in Johnston, Ohio. His daughter[9], EMILY, married DAVID RICE, a Baptist minister, of Greene, Ohio. They had two sons—FENELON. head of Oberlin, Ohio, music conservatory for twenty-five years—and DWIGHT, who removed to California. LOUIS, son of FENELON, is said to have lived in Philadelphia
HANNAH,[8] m. LEMAN PALMER

Children of Levi Johnson and Second Wife, Polly Rood:

LAURIN, (injured by horse and helpless for life)
EUNICE,[8] (died young)
SALLY,[8] m. MOREHOUSE of Greene, Ohio. Their grandson, GUERN MOREHOUSE, a prominent physician of Minnesota
MINERVA,[8] m. JACKSON, Johnson, Ohio
ALZINA,[8] m. PENDLETON, Norfolk, Conn.
WILLIAM[8]
MYRON,[8] lived in Norfolk, Conn.
LEVI,[8] came to Ohio, returned East and died
LAVINA,[8] m. STRONG of Canaan
LAURA[8] ALMIRA, b. 1820, m. GEORGE GANSER, and their son, LEVI GANSER, married MISS DEAN who lives in Falls Village, Conn.

HANNAH (JOHNSON) PALMER

In the beautiful valley of Canaan (South), Connecticut, stood the Johnson home and it was here, with the wooded mountain forming a picturesque background, that Hannah (Johnson) Palmer spent her girlhood. We know not when or where she met the man, Leman Palmer, with whom she was to leave the parental home to be his true and faithful wife for nearly forty years. We do know that they were married in the month of November, 1813, and that they later removed to Ohio, where he died.

From this time to her own death she lived with some one of her children, first in Ohio and later in the newer state of Iowa.

An erect little figure always properly clothed, with the short waisted, long skirted, print dresses for summer and the flower-besprigged wool delaines for winter.

The dainty "book muslin" kerchief was always neatly folded around the neck, with the long ends crossed in front and held in place by the golden brooch, her only ornament.

The long, full, straight apron (black silk for best with its graduated rows of velvet ribbon across the bottom) was an important part of the costume.

Her hair was largely concealed by a double frilled lace cap, decorated with bows and ties of narrow ribbon. Of these caps she had several, always kept immaculate by the skillful fingers of her daughter Mary.

The last years of her life were spent in the home of her only living son, Leman Palmer, Jr., of Monticello, Iowa. Here she was faithfully and lovingly attended by his saintly wife, Priscilla (Faunce) Palmer, and frequently visited by each of her three daughters until her death at the advanced age of 84 years. Never was royalty more loyally served nor sincerely mourned, than was this little lady by all of her children.

None of her four children reached the highest places in community or state unless we take into account the value of integrity, simple living and faithful performance of every duty of every day life.

Never having been widely separated, it was not long after the father's death and the marriage of the youngest member of the family, Polly, with her immediate removal to Jones County, Iowa, in March, 1861, until the exodus of the families of brother and sisters began to the newer state, from which none were to return as far east as Ohio.

HANNAH[8] JOHNSON

HANNAH[8] JOHNSON, b. Dec. 16, 1794; m. LEMAN PALMER, in South Canaan, Conn., November, 1813. He died October, 1851, in Western Reserve, O., and she died Mar. 17, 1878, in Monticello, Iowa.

Their Children:

LEMAN,[9] JR., b. Dec. 8, 1816, in Canaan, Conn. m. PRISCILLA FAUNCE in Western Reserve, Ohio, Aug. 27, 1840. She was born in North Carver, Mass., May 21, 1821. She died June 8, 1881, and he died Oct. 28, 1901, both at their home in Monticello, Iowa. No children.

PAULINA,[9] b. Sept. 3, 1819, at Canaan, Conn., m. DANIEL HOSFORD at Johnston, Ohio, Oct. 25, 1836. He was born in Falls Village, Conn., Sept. 25, 1816. She died April 1, 1905, and he died Nov. 20, 1893, both at Monticello, Iowa.

MARY E.,[9] b. in Canaan, Conn., June 12, 1827; m. SEYMOUR BENNETT, in Johnston, Ohio, Oct. 1, 1849. He was born in Cayuga, N. Y. June 28, 1822. She died Feb. 10, 1890 and he died Nov. 19, 1904, both in Monticello, Iowa.

POLLY L.,[9] b. Warren, Ohio, Jan. 18, 1832; m. ROBERT HENDERSON, Mar. 3, 1861, in Bazetta, Ohio. He was born in North Harpersfield, N. Y., June 30, 1832. She died Feb. 10, 1912. He died June 11, 1915, both in Monticello, Iowa.

Robert Henderson went to Ohio when seventeen years of age and learned the carpenter's trade. In 1855 went to Jackson County, Iowa, and soon after removed to Jones County, where he worked at his trade until his return to Bazetta, Ohio, where he married POLLY PALMER March 3, 1861. See picture of barn built by him in 1857 as it appears in 1929.

LEMAN[9] PALMER, JR.

LEMAN[9] PALMER JR. was the eldest child of Leman and Hannah (Johnson) Palmer and removed with his parents from Canaan, Connecticut, when only eleven years of age. Of his subsequent life in Ohio, we know very little. We do know that in 1862 he and his wife and mother removed to Iowa and joined his sister, Polly, on the Henderson farm in Castle Grove Township, where he entered upon the business of sheep raising, which he was to continue for four years.

As this is not only a summary of relationships but an occasional glimpse of the simple home life in the sixties in the then newer states of our country, we will digress with the true story of old Fred, the faithful Shepherd dog of the Palmers. There were no confining fences which later became so common, and it was necessary for some one to accompany the sheep to the open pastures and remain until time for their return at nightfall. This task usually fell to Maria Wright—one of the two girls brought up in the Palmer home.

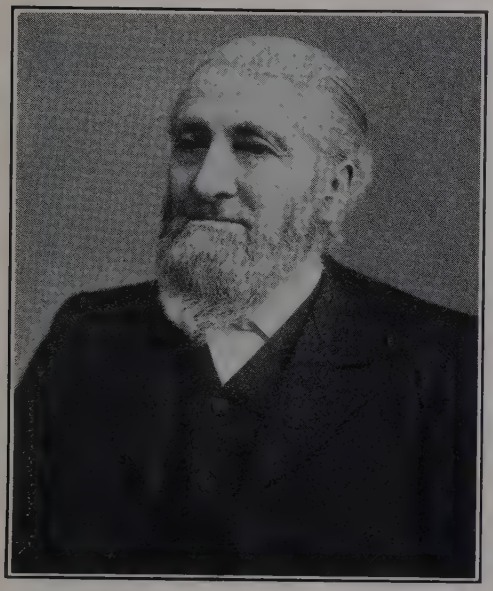
If anything was needed from the house, which was always some distance away, she would tie the message to the dog's collar and say "Home." The one receiving the note would fill the order, attach the same to Fred's collar, with the simple exclamation, "Sheep." Even a filled dinner pail was safe in his care until properly delivered. This was doubtless owing to the fact that a generous reward always awaited his faithful performance of the task.

Three later years were spent by the Palmers in Anamosa, where he was engaged in the mercantile business. At the end of this time, wishing to be near his mother and sisters who were all living in the vicinity of the neighboring town of Monticello, he and his wife removed there, where they were to spend the remainder of their lives.

About this time a friend of the Palmers who had a sheep farm wanted Fred, and with the understanding that the dog was to be returned when no longer needed on that particular place, Fred took up his work of watching the sheep in his new home.

Some years later the farm was sold and the dog returned to the Palmers as agreed upon, much to the delight of the children of a sister who lived directly across the street.

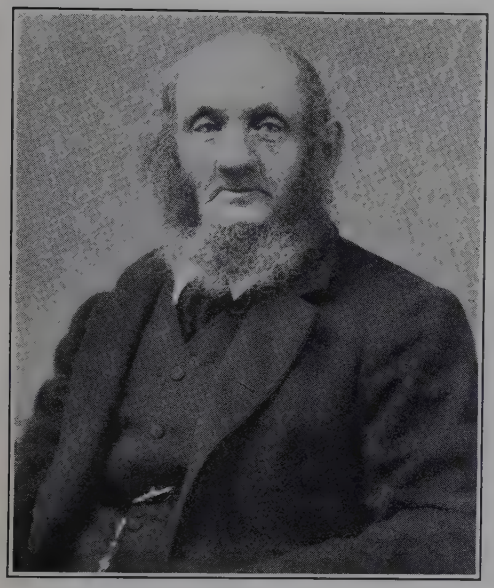
MR. AND MRS. LEMAN PALMER, JR.



LEMAN PALMER, JR.

PRISCILLA (Faunce)
PALMER

MR. AND MRS. DANIEL S. HOSFORD

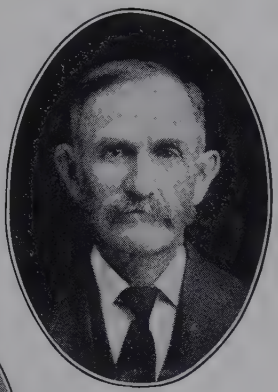


DANIEL S. HOSFORD

MRS. PAULINA (Palmer) HOSFORD

THE D. S. HOSFORD CHILDREN

ORVILLE



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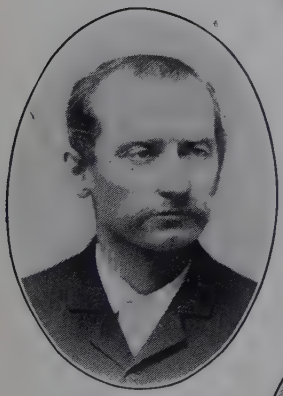

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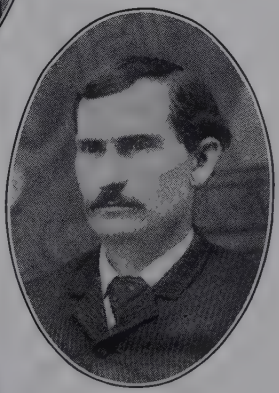


CECIL

ALONZO

MR. AND MRS. SEYMOUR BENNETT

SEYMOUR BENNETT

MARY (Palmer) BENNETT

THE SEYMOUR BENNETT CHILDREN

LUMAN BENNETT

ZELLAH (Bennett) DEAN

LOIS (Bennett) LIGHTFOOT

ROSA (Bennett) BAILEY

ROBERT HENDERSON AND POLLY (PALMER) HENDERSON

1861

ROBERT HENDERSON

POLLY (Palmer) HENDERSON

First house built for his bride, by Robert Henderson, as it appears in 1929. (L has been added, by later owners).

Chair brought from Ohio in 1861, as it appears in 1929.

The last of the set of dishes. Covered butter dish, with inner plate, over the ice chamber.

SOME MIDDLE WEST ASSISTANTS

MRS. (Sarah Lewis) C. W. HOSFORD

MRS. (Lula Curtis) A. M. BLACK

MRS. (Maud Hosford) E. J. LIGHTFOOT

MRS. (Irene Henderson) LESLIE THOMSON

It did not take Fred long to discover that an earlier breakfast was always to be had with these children, and then he was at liberty to return to his own home for another helping from a later breakfast table.

A few years later Mr. Cool, father of the wife of Curtis Hosford, and a friend of Mr. Palmer, was moving his flock of sheep to a new home in Kansas and Fred was consigned to the task of assisting in the driving. Some weeks after the start a familiar bark was heard one morning and the children joyfully rushed forth to greet the dog, which footsore and weary had come home and to his early breakfast as usual. Soon word was received, according to agreement with Mr. Palmer, that the dog had accompanied the sheep all the way to their new home in Kansas and soon thereafter had disappeared.

Just what landmarks guided the dog on his long trek home of hundreds of miles is left to conjecture, for fifty years ago in that horse-driven age open spaces were large and frequent. Fred was no longer young and the Palmers felt that he must be allowed to remain in the home, for which he had shown such a decided preference.

Fair and honorable in all his business relations, Mr. Palmer enjoyed a wide acquaintance in country and village. He was never too busy to espouse the cause of temperance, of which he was a convincing advocate. He would frequently remark "I may not live to see it, but sooner or later prohibition must become a national issue." He argued so kindly that none took offense, even though it was a time when saloons flourished on nearly every corner of the small town.

Church services to him were an important part of life and for many years he was the teacher of a large Bible class of young people in the Sunday School, to whom his instruction was never dull.

A close Bible student, he ever lived in the hope of a glorious resurrection and after a lingering illness, he died in the home in Monticello, within less than two months of his 85th birthday.

To the wife of his youth he was always the most perfect of men, and her delight was in their home, which was ever the "Center of good cheer," where peace and contentment reigned and where relatives and close friends could always find a sympathetic listener for all their grievances. She was a great reader and a discriminating one —fond of the best that came her way. During those later years when lameness prevented her going about, she learned to knit while read-

ing. Only those who have experienced the comfort of home-knitted garments, when buffeting the blizzards of those early Iowa winters, can appreciate this accomplishment of hers.

At Christmas time to each of the younger generation would come a wonderful pair of double yarn mittens, with the letters of the full name of the owner knitted around the deep cuffs, which were the result of her handiwork.

Having no children of their own, Mr. and Mrs. Palmer took two girls into their home, who grew to womanhood there. One, Kate Stewart, married and went to a good home of her own; the other, Maria Wright, an orphaned niece of Mrs. Palmer, became a teacher in the public schools and remained in the home of her foster parents.

After weeks of intense suffering so patiently and uncomplainingly endured, Priscilla (Faunce) Palmer gently slipped away, leaving an aching void in the hearts of those who knew her so well and loved her so dearly. Her sixty years of right living had left their impress on her little sphere of usefulness.

PAULINA (PALMER) HOSFORD

PAULINA[9] the eldest daughter of Leman and Hannah (Johnson) Palmer, was a typical farmer's wife during that industrial period of our country when most of the work on the farm was done by hand. She was married to DANIEL S. HOSFORD when only nineteen years of age in Trumbull County, Ohio, where they lived until 1862. Then they, with their children, removed to a rented farm in Delaware County about nine miles north of Monticello, Iowa, which was to be their home for several years.

Fuel was not a problem in this new country, for the woodlot was usually near at hand and the thrifty farmers prepared the long piles of cord wood one winter for the next, that a sufficient amount of dry wood might be always available. Houses were banked high on the north and west exposures, for there were no basement furnaces to keep out the bitter cold of winter weather.

No fat was ever allowed to go to waste, but was carefully tried out —for shortening for food, tallow for candles, or for soap grease. Home dressing and curing of meats was a yearly process, when the smokehouse was filled with long rows of smoked meat and the pork barrel was never allowed to become empty. This latter fact was well known among the friendly Indian families, who were never turned away empty-handed.

Wild prairie chickens, now almost extinct, were an occasional delicacy for those who preferred the wild flavor, as great flocks would sometimes alight to feed with the domestic fowls and then they were easily caught.

Butter-making was accomplished entirely by the up and down, continuous motion of the "dasher churn." This seemed a very monotonous proceeding to the younger generation, from which they escaped as soon and as often as possible.

All artificial light was produced from the home-made candles or tallow dips. Once or twice a year the molds of twenty-four hollow tubes, joined together in pairs, were filled with the melted tallow (after the wick was adjusted), and allowed to cool or set. Time after time the process was repeated and each lot packed away in long wooden boxes, ready for use.

Occasionally, with the brass candlestick and its lighted candle in one hand and reading matter in the other, one of the older members would fall asleep. However, any serious results were sure to be averted by the partly suppressed merriment of the younger generation, causing a rude awakening of the sleeper.

Soap-making was another interesting part of the regular routine on the farm. A barrel with small holes bored in the bottom was placed on a slightly inclined platform and filled with wood ashes. From time to time a bucket of cistern water would be poured over it, and after a time the golden stream of lye would percolate and begin to flow into the container below, and at the edge of the platform. This solution was then ready for the great iron kettle over the open fire, which was already provided with a sufficient amount of grease. The resulting brownish mass, called "soft soap," with plenty of soft water, was most efficacious for the Monday morning laundry work. Spinning wheels, large and small, and the "Swifts" and looms, used for making homespun of the earlier day, had been brought along from the Ohio home, but were now used largely for preparing the yarn for hose and mittens if at all.

There was always great excitement when a visit was contemplated to a neighboring farm or village in winter. The large wooden wagon box was transferred to the sled runners, filled with straw from the cleanest part of the ever-present stack, and then the straw was liberally covered with buffalo robes, of which there ever seemed a plentiful supply. The younger generation had many a thrill on moonlight nights, watching from the safe shelter of the sled, packs of timber wolves in the open spaces, while the well-fed, mettlesome horses, with jingling sleigh-bells, sped along the snow-covered roads.

Of all the operations on the farm, the most appealing was the making of the cheese, possibly because it carried its own reward of the delectable "curd." It was such an exacting process that Paulina seldom trusted the actual making to others. At milking time the brimming pails of fresh milk were poured into the long wooden vats with the shining zinc lining, between which were the water receptacles. In the morning the fires were lighted and the milk with rennet added brought to the proper temperature.

Usually about eleven o'clock the whey was drained off and the feast of curd was on, after having been properly salted. By some

process of reasoning or instinct, old Bounce, the yellow, wire-haired dog, appeared at just the right time to carry off any pieces that might have been surreptitiously dropped for his benefit by the younger generation.

In a long, clean, dry room the curd was next packed away in metal containers lined with cheesecloth cases and placed under considerable pressure made by turning a screw lever over a block cover. Occasionally sage was added to make an unusual delicacy for home consumption.

Ordinarily the process of turning, marking and marketing was left to the men.

The Civil War brought its load of sorrow to this home, for in March, 1863, news came "that the oldest boy, Orville, who had enlisted at the age of twenty-one, had been killed while his band of cavalry were storming a bridge of the enemy, near Knoxville, Tennessee."

As the boys became older and ambitious for a larger acreage, the several hundred acre C. C. Walworth farm within a mile of Monticello was purchased. This became the D. S. Hosford and Sons' stock farm, well known for many years for its high class, pedigreed animals.

To Paulina (Palmer) Hosford, Daniel, her husband, was the embodiment of all that was good and true for fifty-five years. A man of decided opinions, he never intruded unless in support of a principle of right. Never a great talker and always a discriminating reader, he had high ideals, which his children learned to respect, though without any great show of authority on his part.

For many years, too far from church to attend all services, the "blessing" at each mealtime, regularly conducted, was so indicative of an "abiding" faith and thankful spirit as to be an inspiration to those assembled at the table.

After the marriage of all her children and the death of her husband, Daniel, Paulina moved to the home of her son, C. W. Hosford, where she was tenderly cared for by himself and wife, the remaining years of her life.

Children of Daniel Hosford and Paulina (Palmer) Hosford
(All born in Ohio)

ORVILLE NORMAN,[10] b. June 12, 1840, at Johnston, Ohio, (Trumbull Co.) Killed in Civil War, near Knoxville, Tenn., March 1, 1863.

ORLANDO FRANKLIN,[10] b. Aug. 14, 1841; m. ALICE MOWRY (Morey) Sept. 14, 1865, at Anamosa, Iowa. She died in Monticello, Iowa, Oct., 11, 1921. She was born in Gustavis, Ohio, July 3, 1836, and he is living in Castle Grove Twp. in 1929.

ALONZO,[10] b. Nov. 11, 1845, came West with his parents and lived for many years near Monticello. Is living in 1929 near Platte, South Dakota, with his wife, Married OLIVE HOFACRE Oct. 31, 1876.

CECIL WYCLIFFE,[10] b. Oct. 27, 1850; m. SARAH B. LEWIS Aug. 8, 1888, in Anamosa, she was born in Williamantic, Conn., May 27, 1850. He died Dec. 27, 1919, and she is living in their home in Monticello, Iowa, in 1929.

CURTIS DANIEL,[10] b. Apr. 24, 1852, and died on his farm near Monticello, Iowa, June 16, 1899. He married first, EMMA COOL, near Monticello, March 18, 1877. She was born in Sand Springs, Iowa, Linn Co., May 11, 1856, and died Oct. 9, 1885. He married second, AMANDA BABBE, at Wheatland, Iowa, June 14, 1888. She was born at Watertown, Wisconsin, Oct. 8, 1860, and is living in Washington D. C.

ELLA ATHELIA,[10] (died at 11 years)

FLORENCE,[10] b. July 5, 1855; m. CHARLES CURTIS, in Monticello, Iowa, Dec. 12, 1877. She died Apr. 30th, 1916. He died June 20, 1929. Both born and died in Jones County, Iowa.

YOUNGER GENERATION OF HOSFORD FAMILY

Solomon Hosford, born March 2, 1775—Married Dec. 4, 1799, Sarah Rowland, born June 6, 1771

Daniel Hosford, (1816-1893)—Married Oct. 25, 1836, Paulina Palmer, (1819-1905)

I. Orville (killed in Civil War)

II. Orlando and Alice (Mowrey)	Sprague[11] and Kathryn Brown	Gladys[12] Kenneth[12] Lyle[12] Clarence[12]	
III. Alonzo[10] and Olive (Hofacre)	Palmer[11] and (1) Anna (Peterson)	Helen L.[12] and T. E. Dennis	Marjorie[13] David[13]
	(2) Blanche (Boerner)	Harold[12] Donald C.[12] Dorothy S.[12] Gladys[12]	
	Maude[11] and E. J. Lightfoot	Edwin[12] Beth[12] Mona[12] Fern[12]	
	Orville[11] and Dora (Young)	Robert E.[12] James A. (deceased) Gerald[12] Harold R.[12]	
	Stephen[11] (single)		
	Hazel[11] and A. Bailey	Galen[12] Beatrice[12] Nellie M.[12] Ruth O.[12] Gordon A.[12] James M.[12] Infant	
IV. Cecil[10] and Sarah (Lewis)			
V. Curtis[10] and (1) Emma (Cool)	Harriet C.[11] and C. E. Carbutt	Curtis B.[12] Robert O.[12] Alice B.[12]	
(2) Amanda (Baabe)	Howard[11] and Lillian (Lambert) Helen		
VI. Ella[10] (Deceased)			
VII. Florence[10] FF and Charles Curtis	Lula[11] and A. M. Black	Florence E.[12] Estelle B.[12] Paul C.[12] Margaret M.[12]	
	D. Ray[11] (deceased) G. Leman (deceased)		
	Cecil B.[11] and Olive (Arnold)	Cecil B.[12] Stewart[12] Charles T.[12]	
	Orlando[11] and Lulu (Lyons)	Claire[12] Conrad[12]	

MARY[9] (PALMER) BENNETT

MARY[9] (PALMER) BENNETT, next to the oldest of Hannah[8] (Johnson) Palmer's children, spent her life in ministering to others.

If illness or sorrow came to her own or to the homes of relatives she was first to offer sympathy, and aid if possible.

Always a most earnest Christian, she was wont to say when a tragedy was averted or a blessing enjoyed—"It was providential."

Her married life was spent on a farm, usually not far from her sister, Paulina. Possibly because there was the one son, farm life was less intensive than with the Hosfords, and devoted more to the raising and care of horses.

Shetland ponies were not common in their vicinity when the youngest daughter of the family became the proud owner of a very small, very black and equally stubborn member of the species.

For some months afterwards, the younger generation were not very dependable about reaching a proposed destination in a given length of time, for all depended upon the disposition of the pony on that particular occasion, and as no known method was discovered to cause him to change his ways, he was finally exchanged for one more tractable.

After all of Mary's children were married, death came in 1890 and took the youngest daughter and her babe, and Mary, exhausted in body and spirit, followed them after less than a week's illness with pneumonia.

Children of Seymour Bennett and Mary[9] (Palmer) Bennett:
(All born in Ohio)

LUMAN,[10] b. Apr. 7, 1851; m. SARAH JANE NICHOLS, Sept. 1, 1883, near Monticello, Iowa. Both living in 1929. She was born Dec. 25, 1861.

LOIS,[10] b. Feb. 22, 1853; m. E. J. LIGHTFOOT, Oct. 12, 1874; died Aug. 17, 1899, in Monticello, Iowa.

ZELLAH,[10] b. Jan. 5, 1856; m. JOHN DEAN, at Anamosa, Iowa, Feb. 18, 1875, and is living in Olwein, Iowa, in 1929. He was born Apr. 30, 1850, in Butler County, Pennsylvania, and died in Olwein, Iowa, Aug. 26, 1926, at the family home.

ROSA,[10] b. Nov. 1, 1864; m. CHARLES BAILEY of Anamosa, Iowa, Sept. 1, 1887. She died Feb. 1, 1890, in Monticello, Iowa.

HANNAH JOHNSON, (1794-1878) m. November, 1813, LEMAN PALMER, (1787-1851)

MARY PALMER, (1827-1890) m. October 1, 1849, SEYMOUR BENNETT, (1822-1904)

Luman[10] and Sarah J (Nichols)	Harry S.[11] and Manoa (Harford)	Harrison[12]	
	Roy[11] (unmarried)		
Lois[10] and E. J. Lightfoot	No children		
John and Zellah[10] (Bennett) Dean	Irl[11]	Unmarried	
	Gail[11] and Minnie (Stickley)	Robert J.[12] and Mary (Eastman)	Gloria[13]
		Francis H.[12] and Blanche (Carber)	Gail[13]
		Clay[12] Anna[12]	
	Frank[11] and Amy (Theobald)	John E.[12] Charles S.[12] Frank S.[12] Darlene[12] Joe[12]	
	Dr. Clay[11] and Fay (Hutchinson)	Clay[12] Joseph[12] Dorothy[12]	
	Ethel[11] and Anton (Bjorkland)	Elaine[12] Ruth E.[12]	
	Blanche[11] and Loyd (Skoolin)	Dean O.[12]	
	Lynn[11] (died in World War)		
	Zoe[11] and Donald Day	Douna[12]	
	Zellah[11]		
Rosa[10] and Charles Bailey	Infant[11] (died young)		

POLLY PALMER HENDERSON

Polly, the youngest of Hannah Johnson Palmer's children, was a small, erect, dignified personage, who taught several years in the public schools of Ohio before her marriage. In March, 1861, she was married to Robert Henderson and together they started for Jones County, Iowa, where he had worked as a carpenter the five preceding years, and where they were to make their home for more than fifty years. It was necessary to ferry across the Mississippi river to Dubuque, and as theirs was the first boat of the season they were constantly menaced by floating ice cakes in the stream.

Having finally reached the Iowa shore in safety, the only available mode of transportation to their destination was either by sled or wagon, and at best the road was rough and almost impassable in the Spring.

Upon their arrival in Castle Grove Township, they were exceedingly fortunate in securing a room (houses for rent were unknown in that section) with the A. J. Peake family while Mr. Henderson built their first home. The friendship of the two families was to continue through life.

With the five chairs, a set of dishes (of which only the 3-piece butter dish remained in 1929), and a trunk full of finery, which she had brought from Ohio, Polly (who had seldom cooked a meal) was ready to begin the process of making the home, which was to continue for more than fifty years.

A home of their own was soon completed and here three of the Henderson children were born.

Robert was a builder and like most mechanics was not a success at farming, the leading industry of those times. After a few years it was found that a home in one of the small towns would be desirable, as nearer his work.

First to Anamosa, and later to Monticello, the family removed and in this last named place the house was built, which they were to call "home" for forty years.

After a siege with typhoid fever, Robert's health was poor (so much so that he was rejected at War headquarters) and his ill health coupled with a period of strong competition in building operations, resulted in there seldom being extra money in the home from one season to the next, yet so skillfully did Polly manage that there was no shortage of

actual necessities. Her home from the first was her center of interest and the three daily meals claimed much of her time and attention. Good eating houses were not common and bakery goods were unknown in this home. (On the day of her death she had baked the usual supply of bread.)

So proficient did she become that her bread, pies and cakes were as popular with the younger generations as are ice cream cones and candy of the present age—popular with her beloved relatives from the farms as well, who frequently came for the noonday meal when in town, laden with jugs of milk and cream, fresh butter and eggs, until she would protest at their generosity.

A "true lover of learning," she established the study hour in the home as a fixed institution, to be shortened only on the evenings when the continued stories in the "Youth's Companion" (which has just lost its identity in a merger in 1929 after one hundred years of service) were to be read aloud, or on another evening when the events chronicled in the Monticello Express (the only newspaper in the home) were to be gone over.

One of her greatest accomplishments was the covering of her floors with beautiful hand-loom woven rag carpets.

The long winter evenings would be spent in cutting and sewing the ends together of narrow strips from worn garments and winding the same into balls. Not satisfied with the ordinary "hit and miss" arrangement, she would spend long hours in patient coloring (dye stuffs were not so common or dependable as now) in the preparation of materials; then it might take several months to save the extra sum required for warp and weaving. As a guide for the weaver, she would secure a thin flat board and carefully wind each separate color in the exact place it would appear in the finished carpet.

No artist of the present day takes more pleasure in exact proportions and proper color arrangement than did Polly with her carpet stripes, and it was this very close attention to detail which made her home attractive.

She was not alone in this process of home-making, for with the skill of a born mechanic, her husband, Robert, put in much time during the long cold winters, when work was slack, in making tables, cabinets, and other useful pieces of furniture for the home from seasoned black walnut, which was often procured from the woods and seasoned by himself.

While Polly Henderson was not musical—did not know one note from another—the younger generation were fond of noise more or less true to scale, and the then popular Moody and Sankey hymns resounded, while the six stop (with the tremolo added for good measure) pedal organ had little rest and no vacations. How she ever endured this condition is left to another fond parent to explain.

Seldom away from home and always ready to greet the returned absentee, should she happen to be in another part of the house when the front door was opened, she would hasten forward in ready response to the inevitable call "Where's mother?" Their children are widely separated now, but fond memories of father, mother and home will follow them and the hope of a happy reunion be with them through this life.

Children of Robert and Polly (Palmer) Henderson:

CHARLES P. b. December 17, 1861, m. MATTIE BORT, October, 1888. d, January 13, 1898.

JESSIE, (died young)

JENNIE R., b. July 9, 1863; m. JOSEPH F. PORTER, June 27, 1888. He was b. June 27, 1863—graduated from I. A. C. now Iowa State College, in 1884. He is an Edison pioneer and has been connected with public utilities for forty-four years.

ELLA L., b. May 5, 1867; m. CHARLES L. BARTHOLOMEW June 17, 1890. He was born February 10, 1869. See Bartholomew records

ROBERT W., b. August 3, 1868; m., first, LILLIAN SANDERSON (January 17, 1874-March 4, 1892) December 28, 1889; m. second, NELLIE CHAPMAN, Dec. 27, 1899.

ROBERT HENDERSON, (1787-1870) married MARGARET HARKNESS (1791) Dec. 23, 1813, (Eleven Children)

Tenth Child—ROBERT HENDERSON (1832-1915) m.—POLLY PALMER (1832-1912) March 3, 1861
Five Children

Charles[10] and Mattie (Bort).	Fanny[11] and Frank Schrom	Gladys[12] Dorothy[12] Frank Jr.[12]
	Ruth[11] & John Callan	
Jennie[10] and Joseph F. Porter	Clyde[11] and Mae (Reed)	Joseph Reed[12] Jean[12]
	Dugald[11] and Elizabeth (Dow)	Dugald[12] Nancy[12]
	Mildred[11]	
	Marjory[11]	
	Joseph Jr.[11] and Julia (Shellabarger)	
	Ralph[11] and Doris (Martin)	Dorothy[12]
Ella[10] and Charles Bartholomew	Orlo[11] and Beulah (Adams)	Robert E.[12] Beulah[12] Laura M.[12]
	Robert[11]	
	Lewis[11] and Jane (White)	
Robert W.[10] and 1st Lillian (Sanderson) 2nd Nellie (Chapman)	Irene[11] and Leslie Thomson	
	Howard[11] and Pearl (Nessen)	

Jessie[10] (Died young)

JOSEPH FRANKLIN PORTER

(Father of Francis J. Porter. Grandfather of Joseph F. Porter)

Married MARGARET ATCHISON. They came from County Cavan, Ireland, to America just prior to the birth of their son, Francis Joseph Porter.

Their Children:

One of their children in direct line was FRANCIS JOSEPH PORTER, born New York City, March 22, 1838. He married LUCY FRANCIS (born in Hocking Valley, Athens County, Ohio, February 9, 1840) at Jeddo, Harrison County, Iowa, February 6, 1859. He died in Woodbine, Iowa, February 22, 1924. She died July 7, 1915.

"He came of that sturdy Scotch-Irish stock which has left its strong impress on the financial, industrial and political life of America.

True to the industry and thrift of his people and the practice of the times, the boy Frank J., familiarly called, was apprenticed to a master shipbuilder whose shipyard was located near Governor's Island in New York harbor.

He pursued this calling until the lure of military life, always strong in him, asserted itself and taking advantage of the opportunity which afforded from close acquaintance with the military camp at Governor's Island, he enlisted as fifer boy in the United States regular army, without parental consent. His brigade was under command of General Harney and operated over the plains country of the United States, even to the borders of Old Mexico, with Kit Carson as scout.

From this service he was reclaimed by his mother, then a widow.

Enroute to his home and mother in New York he stopped in Harrison County, Iowa, to engage as a sawmill hand in the Jeddo Reeders Mill district and while there was taken with fever and ague which delayed him and finally resulted in his permanent location there.

When the Civil War opened and the Spirit Lake massacre occurred, although a wife and two children claimed his support, he organized a company of volunteers, the members of which were merged into Company E, Sixth Iowa Cavalry.

He gave three years to the service of his country in this war and was mustered out with Honorable Discharge in 1865.

Denied the opportunity of a liberal education himself, he insisted that his children avail themselves of the best schools, with the result that each one who attained proper age attended college or university.

Devoted as he was to country and family, he recognized his duties to his God—in fact he came to believe that a man without true Christian religion is of little value, if not a detriment to society and his neighbors. He was a regular and zealous member of Church and for many years the efficient superintendent of Sunday School at Bigler's Grove, and died a member of the Christian Church of Woodbine.

A member of the Masonic Fraternity through the Royal Arch Degree, he for a time was Master of Charter Oak Lodge No. 401. He was also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His military service so impressed him that he entered with enthusiasm into the activities of that noble order of Patriots—the Grand Army of the Republic. In the hall of the home town, as presiding officer and at the head of their processions he was a militant and imposing figure. He lived a long life, an honorable and useful one, and died in the faith—one of the saviors of his country and one of the builders of his State—Iowa.

The above Presented by the HON. CHARLES SLOAN

To the wife of his youth, LUCY (FRANCIS) PORTER, he was ever the devoted lover. Possessed of one of the sweetest natures, she was a true helpmeet during those years of hard work and privation of pioneer life on the farms of Western Iowa. A model of cheerfulness, she radiated good cheer to all who came into her presence. Within her own home circle she was the one to whom all could turn in the time of trouble and it might be said of her that her sympathies were large enough to enfold all those in need of assistance, who might come her way.

Children of Francis J. and Lucy (Francis) Porter
(All born on farm near Woodbine, Iowa)

EMMA M., b. December 25, 1859; m. CHARLES H. SLOAN October 1, 1889. He was b. near Monticello, Iowa, May 2, 1863.

FRANCES E., b. October 6, 1861; m. M. A. EVAN, December 28, 1881. He was b. May 27, 1859, and d. February 28, 1909. She is living in their home in Woodbine, Ia.

Joseph F., b. June 27, 1863; m. June 27, 1888, Jennie Henderson, in Monticello, Iowa.

William E., b. September 23, 1866; m. first, Hanna Giddings, December 3, 1891. She died May 2, 1903. Second, Alma Ely, June 8, 1905.

Edgar, b. 1868, d. October, 1889. (Thrown from horse and killed).

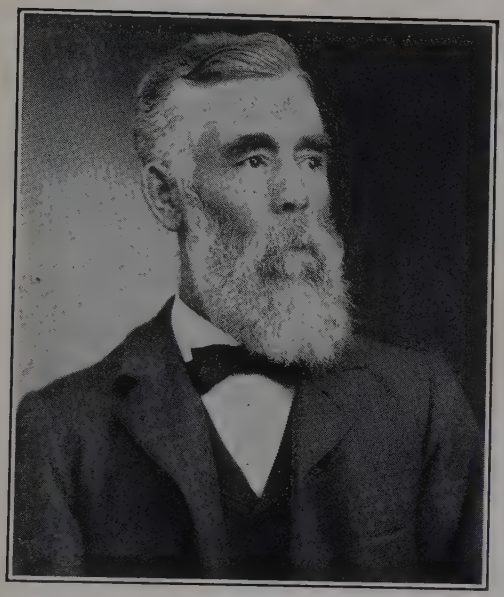
Georgia R., b. July 5, 1869; m. H. J. Holmes March 12, 1903. She d. April 27, 1920, and he d. February 21, 1925.

Kate M., b. February 9, 1875; m. William Gess March 12, 1903.

Ada L., b. November 4, 1874; d. November 15, 1916.

Harry R., b. September 30, 1877; m. Harriet Hasbrouck June 8, 1905. Both graduates of the Iowa Agricultural College, Ames, Iowa, (Now the Iowa State College.)

Inez H., b. July 25, 1880; m. George Hewitt March 7, 1905. He was b. January 25, 1881.



FRANCIS JOSEPH PORTER
(1838-1924)

LUCY (Frances) PORTER. MRS. F. J. PORTER
(Feb. 9, 1840-July 7, 1915)

MERCY (Rathbun) FRANCES
Grandmother of
Joseph F. Porter

MRS. F. J. PORTER (Lucy Frances)
and the very young Joseph F. Porter

HARRY R. PORTER

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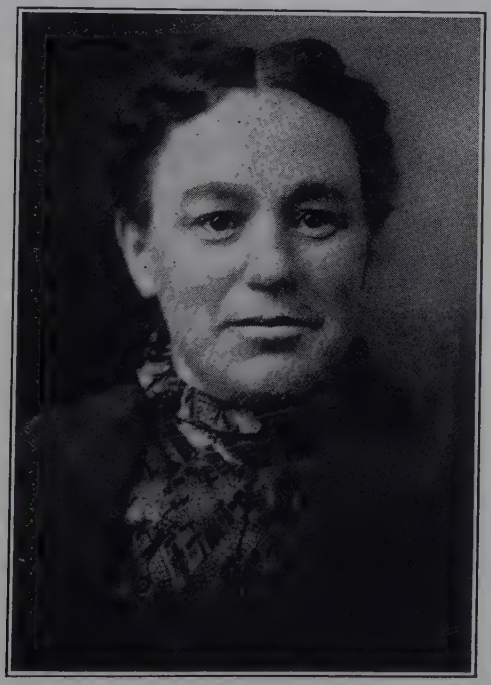
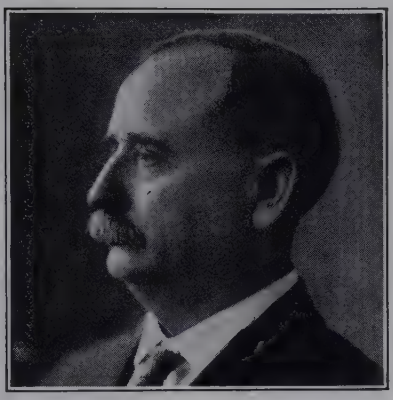


FRANCES (Porter) EVANS

MRS. CHARLES SLOAN
Emma (Porter) Sloan
Graduated from I. A. C. Ames, Iowa, class of 1885



HON. CHARLES H. SLOAN

Graduate of Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa, class of 1884. (Lawyer). Nebraska senator 1894-96. Now, in 1929, serving his fifth term as Representative from Nebraska in United State Congress.

MRS. GRADY CORBETT
(Ethel Sloan)

THESE SERVED IN WORLD WAR

CHARLES PORTER SLOAN

FRANK BLAINE SLOAN

WILLIAM McKINLEY SLOAN

HOWARD PORTER EVANS

CHILDREN OF F. J. AND LUCY (FRANCIS) PORTER

WILLIAM E. PORTER

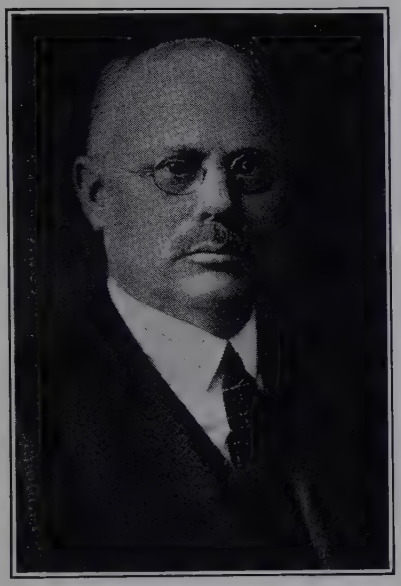
ADA L. PORTER

EDGAR PORTER

GEORGIA (Porter) HOLMES—MRS. H. J. HOLMES

GESS FAMILY

MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM GESS (Kate Porter), JERROLD, ELOISE, THOMAS and WILLIAM



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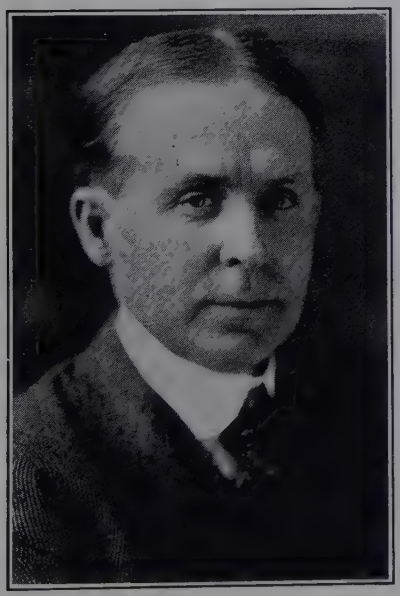
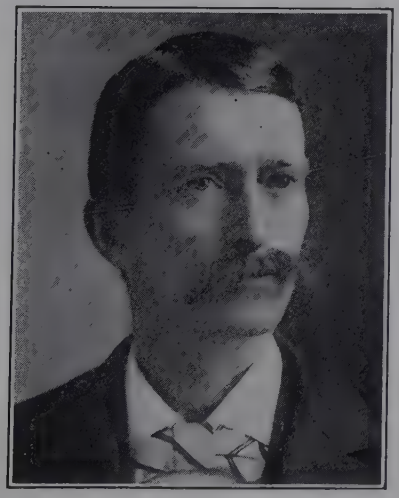


CHARLES BARTHOLOMEW

MRS. ELLA (Henderson)
BARTHOLOMEW

THE HOME OF MR. AND MRS. ROBERT HENDERSON
for forty years, and still in good condition.



CHARLES (Palmer) HENDERSON
(Deceased)

ROBERT WOOD HENDERSON

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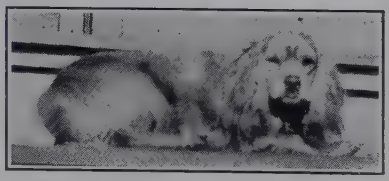
LYNN LESLIE DEAN

CLYDE H. PORTER

ORLO BARTHOLOMEW

LEWIS BARTHOLOMEW

MRS. CLYDE H. PORTER
(Mae Reed)



The family dog

JEAN PORTER
Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde H. Porter

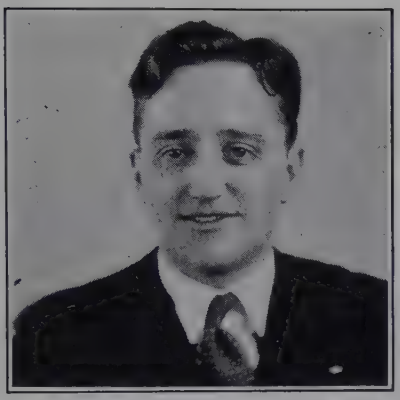
JOSEPH REED PORTER
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde H. Porter

MRS. DUGALD G. PORTER
(Deceased)
Elizabeth (Dow) daughter of Mr. John F. and Nancy (Sears) Dow.

DUGALD G. PORTER, (Deceased)
Son of Joseph F. and Jennie (Henderson) Porter.

THEIR CHILDREN

Dugald and Nancy Porter—an early tea party



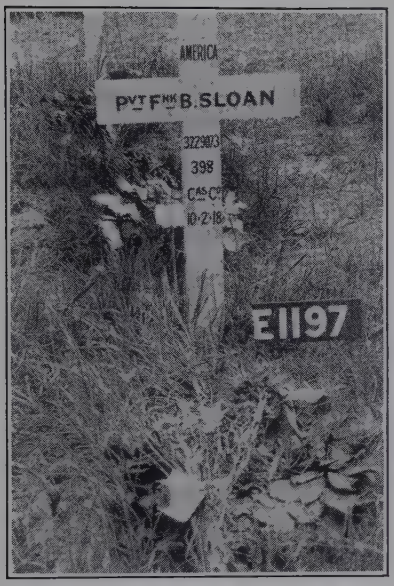
JOSEPH PORTER, JR.
Graduated from Davenport, Iowa, High School June, 1917, and from Leland Stanford in June, 1921.

MRS. JOSEPH F. PORTER, JR.
(Julia Shellabarger)

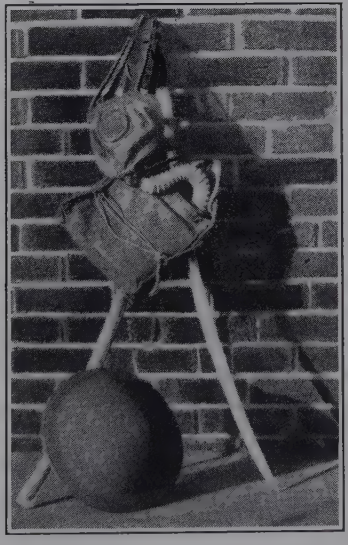
MRS. RALPH E. PORTER and Dorothy. (Doris Martyn)

RALPH E. PORTER (Deceased)
Spent one year and graduated from Palo Alto High School, Calif., June, 1921. Attended next five years at Missouri University (electrical engineering) and graduated with June Class 1926. Was married in Davenport, Iowa, August, 1925, and electrocuted while at work in General Electric Company Plant, Schenectady, July, 1926.

BIRTH PLACE OF JOSEPH F. JR. AND RALPH E. PORTER

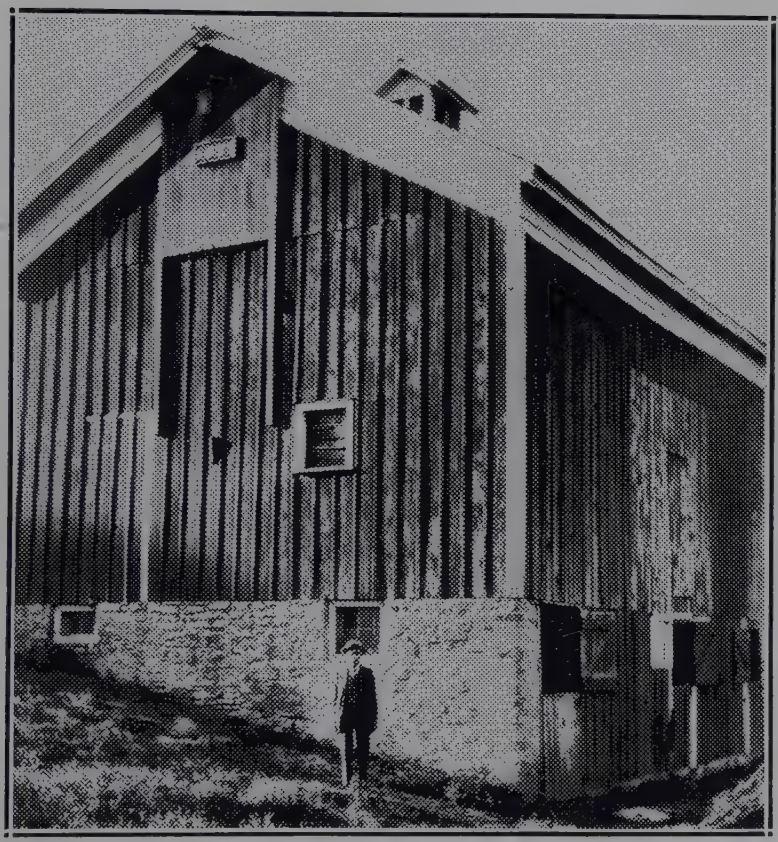


Burial place of Blaine Sloan before removal to America



Iron Hat and Gas Mask of Clyde Porter (World War)

Saber and Scabbard of F. J. Porter, carried in Civil War



BARN BUILT BY ROBERT HENDERSON IN 1857

From the Cedar Rapids Evening Gazette and Republican we have obtained the plate (made by Tru-Art Company, which in turn was from a picture furnished by Mrs. Neil, of Hopkinton) in August of 1929, of their valuable paper, the account which follows:

"This barn has stood on the same rock foundation for 72 years and is 30x40 feet with 16 inch posts—the dimension lumber being of oak logs hauled five miles and hand hewn. The frame timbers are 12x12 and the purlines 8x8's, 40 feet long. The oak studdings spaced every 12 inches. Mr. J. K. Stanger—84 years of age—shown in the picture, is the only man living who attended the raising." (The raising of the huge timbers required many men and strenuous labor and was considerable of a dangerous undertaking, at best.) "Bradford Reezer owned the farm at the time and Mr. James Kehoe's father bought it fifty years ago, paying $30 an acre for it."

THE PORTER FAMILY

JOSEPH FRANKLIN PORTER, m. MARGARET ATCHISON and removed from County Caven, Ireland, to America.

FRANCIS JOSEPH PORTER (1838-1924) m. LUCY (Rathbun) FRANCIS (1840-1915) Feb. 5, 1859.

Emma (Porter and Charles Sloan)	Ethel (Sloan) and Grady Corbett	Charles Margaret
	Blaine (Died of pneumonia in England—World War	
	Charles P. and Lillian (Steifert)	Frank B. Kathryn
	William and Esther (Marshall)	
Frances (Porter) and M. A. Evans	Edna (Evans) and H. R. Donn	Bernard Loyd Bernita Wayne Robert
	Bessie (Evans) and L. B. Thompson	(Deceased)
	Howard and Frona (Lauridson) Evans	Joseph P.
	Lucy (Evans) and 1st. B. Hawk 2nd. Jay Wolf	Kenneth Derwald Lucretia
	Frances (Evans) and O. O. Anderson	Eloise Rodney
Joseph F. and Jennie (Henderson)	See Polly Henderson records	
William and 1st Hannah Giddings 2nd Alma (Ely)	William Jr. and Lucile (Lynard)	
Edgar	(Deceased)	
Georgia (Porter) and H. J. Holmes	Robert (Deceased) and Bernice (Davis) Donald and Doris (Paterson)	
Kate (Porter) and William Gess	Jerrold and Ruth (McCutchen) James Eloise William (Deceased)	Patricia
Ada L.	(Deceased)	
Harry R. and Hattie (Hasbrouck)	Margaret Lucile Beulah Mildred	
Inez (Porter) and George Hewitt	Ada Margaret Geneva Frances	

There were several men named WILLIAM PALMER connected with the early history of the colonies which may account for the lack of data, of our ancestor, WILLIAM PALMER, who emigrated to this country before 1636 and of whom most of our knowledge comes from Atwater's history of the colony of New England.

No reference has been found of his wife, but the names of four sons are given in the history.

MICHAEL, the eldest and at least 16 years old in 1643 (pp. 16-s55), and WILLIAM and JOHN (pp. 7-t4); OBADIAH, mentioned also in local records was b. in Branford, Connecticut, March 31, 1650.

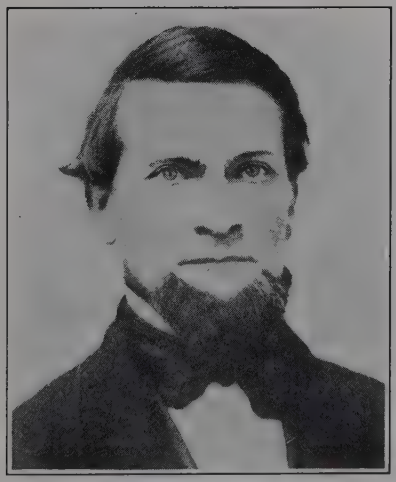
Atwater relates "that in 1636 William Palmer received twenty acres of land in Watertown and that he probably soon went with those forming the new colony of Wethersfield, Connecticut, for he was known to have participated in the war against the Pequots and to have received bounty lands. "His claims as a leading man of Totoquet (now Branford), are well established, and he might have been the first town agent from the following record—"It is ordered that William Palmer in consideration of some expenses and the good service he has done the town and also for the public business that he is to do the town for one year following, as they call him thereto, is to have that piece of meadow which lyeth at the end or side of his lot to the neck and also to the upland accordingly."

Under "Pequot War" in the "History of Wethersfield" by Stiles, "The elder of the William Palmers was among the twenty-six men from that place referred to as receiving bounty land.

Page 254 of the Wethersfield land records (from copy) of Volume 1 gives as follows: The 12 mo, 11 day of 1640, land of William Palmer, in Wethersfield, on Connecticut river; one piece where his house stands 4 acres; one piece in the great meadow 3 acres, one piece in the great meadow 6 acres."

On page 8 of same record the following is interesting, owing to its orthography and business detail: "William Palmer took up a stray horse colt about one year old and vaulage a broune Bay, noe mark and ware psed by John Nott at six pounds p colt and the horse c colt Mr. Palmer marked with a half penni under the of yeare (off ear) and a brand S on the shoulder and thus the constable marked him with the stray mark—this 2nd day of April, 1661."

LUCIUS PALMER



NORMAN PALMER

Originals formerly belonged to Leman Palmer, being his uncle and cousin respectively. See "Palmers."

From Colonial and Probate records, Vol. 2, County Court—1649-63 at Sec of State office—Page 117, is the following:

An inventory of the estate of William Palmer Jr. November 10, 1658 by the subscribers Sam Boardman, John Nott and Thomas Standish by whom William Palmer Sr. is admitted administrator.
Page 54—At court of magistrates held at Wethersfield, Connecticut April 1, 54—William Palmer and Thomas Coleman to enquire as to ownership of cattle which destroyed corn in Hoakim, Wethersfield, now a part of East Hartford, Connecticut.
Page 16—At a quarterly court in Hartford, March, 61/62.

William Palmer was made Constable of Wethersfield.

William Palmer served on the jury eight courts held in Hartford, August 26, 1657, to October 11, 1664.

Michael Palmer, son of William Palmer, (from Atwater), married Elizabeth Butler, January 3, 1662. In 1676 his estate was valude at 45 lbs. His will dated November 12, 1881, gave to his wife one third of his estate and mentions his sons, Daniel, John, Michael and three other children.

Their Children:

Elizabeth, b. October 3, 1662
Michael, b. Feb. 8, 1664 (died young)
John, b. December 24, 1668
Mary, b. October 24, 1669, (Died young)
Micha, b. August 17, 1671
Mary, b. May 25, 1675
Daniel, b. September 13, 1676
Joshua, b. December 25, 1677

Joshua Palmer, youngest child of Michael and Elizabeth (Butler) Palmer was born December 25, 1677, and admitted to the church in Branford in 1701. Of his wife we only know that her name was Mary.

Children of Joshua and Mary Palmer:

Elizabeth, born June 2, 1701, and baptised July 1701
Joshua, born March 18, 1705
Job, born September 18, 1707
Lazarus, born January 21, 1709
Robert baptised May, 1703
Patience, baptised Oct., 1712
Caleb, baptised July 15, 1715
Enoch, baptised July 21, 1721

ENOCH PALMER, youngest child of Joshua and Mary Palmer, was baptised as above by Parson Right, according to church record. He was married to Jemima Moore, July 10, 1746. She died May 23, 1790. He married second, Elizabeth Soper, November 23, 1790. He died in Winsted, Connecticut, in 1795.

From Annals and Family records of Winchester, Conn., by John Boyd, 1871, page 59:

Enoch Palmer of Farmington (Conn.) came to Winchester in 1767 and lived in the late homestead of Adam Mott Jr. which stood on the site of Noble J. Everett's house, next north of the Robert McEwen house now owned by Marcus Munsell, until 1773 when he removed to a farm on the old North County road, near the Wallen's Hill school house where he died in 1795.

Children of Enoch and Jemima (Moore) Palmer:

BENJAMIN, b. May 17, 1747. (Revolutionary soldier)
JEMIMA, b. June 5, 1750
KEZIA, b. March 20, 1751
ELIZABETH, b. October 25, 1753
MARY, b. December 13, 1755
LAZARUS, b. October 9, 1757
REUBEN, b. September 1, 1760. He m. ABIGAIL MOSES—no children and he was a pensioner of Revolutionary War.
RHODA, b. May 9, 1764
SOLOMON, b. May 10, 1766. He m. HANNAH DEWOLF October 14, 1787

BENJAMIN PALMER, eldest child of Enoch and Jemima (Moore) Palmer, b. May 17, 1747, married Sarah Moore, daughter of William Moore, in Winsted Society, town of Winchester (then Southwick) Litchfield County, Connecticut. He was living in the same place when he enlisted in the Revolution, Colonel P. B. Bradley's regiment of Conn. troops, January 1, 1777, and served three years. He died at Cornwall, Conn., in October, 1812, and his widow died in Winsted Society in fall of 1835.

(See Rev. Records.)

Children of Benjamin and Sarah (Moore) Palmer:

BENJAMIN
SUSAN
REUBEN
LEMAN was b. March 12, 1787. (Windsor Probate records.) married HANNAH JOHNSON, thus connecting the two lines.
SALLY, b. December 8, 1784; m. LEVERETT JAKWAY
NORMAN B., July 2, 1792, Canaan, Conn.; m. SALLY WELDEN in Salsbury. Their children—Miles, Norman, Elizabeth, Mandane, and Lucius, grandfather of Amy Lu Palmer.

ALLIED FAMILIES

1. Cheney
2. Mowry
3. Pepper
4. Bowen
5. Bartholomew
6. Harris
7. Weld (Joseph and John)
8. Miller
9. Nettleton
10. Woodruff
11. Cowles
12. Stanley
13. Rathbun
14. F. J. Porter
15. Henderson
16. Moore

So much interesting material has been collected, of families related by marriage to the Johnson and Palmer lines, during the search for the direct lines, that it will be included under the above heading—Allied Families.

Captain Isaac[2] Johnson (son of John[1]) m. Elizabeth Porter. We have no further data of her family—she may have been a sister of Edward Porter and born in England, as Isaac mentions in his will "brother Edward Porter." (See wills.)

CHENEY

Humphrey[2] Johnson (son of John[1]) m. Ellen Cheney Mar. 20, 1643.

William Cheney (1604-1667), father of Ellen, came with the mother Margaret and three children from England in 1635 and settled in Roxbury, where the family became prominent.

Children of William and Margaret:

Thomas, b. in England; m. Jane Atkinson and lived in Cambridge

William, b. in England; m. Deborah Wiswall, lived in Medfield and Dorchester

Ellen, b. in England; m. Humphrey[2] Johnson, of Roxbury

Margaret, b. in Roxbury; m. Deacon Hastings of Watertown

Joseph, b. in Roxbury; m. Hannah Thurston

MOWRY

Mary[2] Johnson (dau. of John) m. Robert Mowry, in Roxbury. Their home was in Providence, R. I., and Mary sold her share in her father's estate in 1659. Roger may have been a close relative of Roger Williams, as both applied to be made freemen at the same time in Roxbury, but removed from there before it was granted. (See Pioneers of Mass.)

PEPPER AND BOWEN

Elizabeth[2] Johnson (daughter of John) m. Robert Pepper—Mar. 14, 1642. He is supposed to have come from Ipswich, England. He died in Roxbury in 1683 and she died in 1684. In his will he mentions two sons, Isaac and Robert, and two daughters, Elizabeth and Mary Everett, the two sisters having married brothers. A son was carried off by the Indians and died in captivity. (See Pioneers of Mass.)

Elizabeth[3] Johnson (daughter of Captain Isaac[2]) m. Henry Bowen (1634-1700) December 20, 1658. He was Lieutenant of Roxbury Company. (See Pioneers of Mass.)

BARTHOLOMEW

Mary Johnson (daughter of Captain Isaac) m. Lieutenant William[3] Bartholomew Dec. 17, 1663. He was b. in Ipswich, Mass. in 1640/1 and died in 1697. She was living in Branford, Conn. in 1705. Owing to the union of Johnson and Bartholomew descendants of their respective lines in both the 3rd and 10th generations, the descent will be traced as given in the Bartholomew records and will be marked the same as the Johnson line, with the small figure at the right of given name.

Lieutenant William's[3] father arrived on the ship Griffin, which landed at Boston and his name was William[2]—the same as that of his father and son. He was chosen representative of Ipswich after a residence of only seven months in the colonies. William[1], the grandfather of Lieut. William[3] was a mercer in Burford, England.

Andrew,[4] son of Lieutenant and Mary (Johnson) Bartholomew, b. in Roxbury, Mass., Dec. 11, 1670; m. in 1698, Hannah Frisbie (daughter of Samuel Frisbie of Branford, Conn.) He was prominent in civic affairs and belonged to the church in Branford. His wife Hannah died Feb. 2, 1741, and he died 1752 or 55.

William,[5] son of Andrew and Hannah (Frisbie) Bartholomew, was b. in Branford Feb. 2, 1699; m. in New Haven, Conn., Jan. 25, 1721/2 Abagail Brown (daughter of Gorsham Brown). He m. 2nd, Widow Hannah Williams of Wallinford, Conn., Dec. 7, 1726.

He d. Sept. 7, 1734, and she d. before Jan. 21, 1788.

SETH,[6] son of William and his second wife, b. Mar. 6, 1729. m. Jan. 22, 1755, HEPZIAH (daughter of Abiel Roberts of Waterbury). Seth was b. in Branford but changed his place of residence repeatedly, for commercial reasons, and finally settled in Waterbury, possessed of considerable property, and where he died, July 5, 1796.

LEVI[7], son of Seth and Hepziah (Roberts) Bartholomew, b. Jan. 2, 1769. m. ROSANNAH CASTLE Mar. 31, 1794. Both were b. and m. in Waterbury—she was born July 17, 1773. They removed to Ohio and she d. in Ashtabula Mar. 21, 1817, and he d. in Cleremont County Oct. 1, 1837.

BRADLEY,[8] was the fourth child of Levi and Rosannah Bartholomew, b. Oct. 26, 1804; m. June, 1836, to Harriet Ward, who was b. in Scott County, Indiana.

Bradley Bartholomew practiced medicine for more than fifty years. The family home was in Danville, Illinois.

ORION[9] was the eldest of the five children of Bradley and Harriet (Ward) Bartholomew and was b. in Belleville, Indiana, Sept. 4, 1837; m. Jan. 16, 1866, MARY SMITH of Hendrix County, Ind. He studied law until the Civil War broke out, enlisted and served during the entire period, being made Colonel and Brevet General at the age of twenty-six years. He practiced law at Chariton, Iowa, for many years and finally the family home was removed to Minneapolis, Minn., to be near their married children, and here he and Mrs. Bartholomew spent the remaining years of their lives, respected by all who knew them.

Their Children:

Ethel[10], Charles L.[10], Fred[10], Orlo[10], Lee [10] and William[10].

Charles L.[10], b. in Chariton, Iowa, Feb. 10, 1869; m. Ella [10] Henderson of Monticello, Iowa, thus uniting the descendants of Johnson and Bartholomew in the Tenth generation.

Ella was b. in Castle Grove Twp. May 5, 1868. Both graduated with the 1888 class from the I. A. C. of Ames, Iowa. He was cartoonist on the Minneapolis Journal for twenty-five years and has since been connected with the Federal Schools of that city.

Their children—Orlo, Robert and Lewis.

HARRIS

Isaac Johnson Jr. (son of Captain Isaac and grandson of John Johnson) m. Mary Harris, Dec. 26, 1669. She was b. in Rowley, Mass., Feb. 2, 1651, d. in Middletown Aug. 1, 1740, and was the daughter of Captain Daniel and Mary (Weld) Harris, her mother being a daughter of Joseph Weld. Savage states that Daniel Harris was in Rowley in 1643. One Daniel Harris removed to Middletown, where he was appointed to keep an inn. He was a Lieutenant in 1661 and Captain in 1667. He d. the last of November, 1701, and his wife d. September, 1711.

His will in the library records of Hartford dated 1698/9 mentions his daughter, Mary Johnson, among the other children, in which she is to receive an acreage and one-fourth of household stuff.

On a tablet in a cemetery(near the Railroad) in which Isaac Johnson is buried are the names of the Founders of Middletown (1650-1660), among which is Daniel Harris. No documentary proof that this man was father of Mary (Harris) Johnson.

WELD

Captain Joseph Weld (grandfather of Mary Harris Johnson), b. in Sudbury, England, in 1601 and emigrated to New England about 1635. His will was probated in Roxbury, Mass., in 1646. His brother, Rev. Thomas Weld, b. in 1595 (see Wills), came to New England in 1632; and another brother, Daniel Weld, born in 1586, was another immigrant to New England colonies.

These three brothers were the sons of Edmund Weld, mercer of Sudbury, Suffolk County (b. in 1559—will 1608) and his wife, Amy Brewster.

Edmund Weld and his sisters, Mary (b. 1561) and Prudence (b. 1563), were the children of Thomas Weld, draper of Sudbury, Suffolk County, England, and he was born in 1535 and died 1597. The name of his wife is unknown, but she died in 1593.

Thomas Weld had a brother John, b. 1530, a sister, Margaret, b. 1535, and a sister, Margery, b. about 1538, whose will was dated 1561. These four were the children of John the Elder of Long Medford County, Suffolk, b. 1505, and whose will was dated 1551. The father of John the Elder and Thomas Weld the draper was born about 1475.

Joseph Weld (the brother of Rev. Thomas, who was the first of the line to come to the colonies) was not only a very wealthy man (see Wills), but an efficient officer as well. Made a freeman Mar. 3, 1636; representative at General Court 1637-1645; Governor Winthrop's Aid and fought many battles with the Indians. He was one of the Commission which made a treaty with the Pequoit Indians in 1643 and in that year received several hundred acres of bounty land now known as West Roxbury Park. His home was on Roxbury Street. His first wife Elizabeth died in Roxbury, Mass., in 1638, and was the mother of six of his children, including John Weld (b. in England in 1623, d. in Roxbury in 1691), and of Mary Weld, who married Daniel Harris. The granddaughter, Mary Harris, married Isaac Johnson Jr. (son of Captain Isaac Johnson) and thus connecting the two families of Weld and Johnson.

John Johnson was a witness to Joseph Weld's will (see Wills) and Captain Isaac Johnson, son of John, mentions in his will brother Edward Porter and cousin, John Weld.

MILLER

Isaac Johnson III, m. Margaret Miller Sept. 12, 1695. She was the daughter of Thomas Miller and Sarah (Nettleton) Miller, m. June 6, 1666. He mentions Margaret among the children of his will. He d. August 14, 1680. (Probate Records of Middletown.)

NETTLETON

Sarah Nettleton (Miller), mother of Margaret, was the dau. of Samuel and Maria Nettleton and was b. in Milford, Connecticut. Samuel Nettleton (the emigrant ancestor) was one of a company of men from Wethersfield, who in 1644 purchased the lands of Totoket (Branford) and began a settlement there the same year. He d. in Fairfield, Conn., 1655/6 and his wife Maria died in Branford, October 29, 1658. (From "The Nettletons in America.")

WOODRUFF

Phoebe, the mother of Thankful (Cowles) Johnson, was the daughter of John and Mary Woodruff. John, her father, b. in 1643, was the eldest of the six children of Matthew and Hannah Woodruff.

MATTHEW (1612-1682), and HANNAH WOODRUFF, who came from England and settled in Hartford, Connecticut. Then to Farmington in 1641-2, where he became one of the proprietors, having been made a freeman in 1657. His wife HANNAH was admitted to the church in April, 1654 (Colonial Families of U. S. Vol. 3) He was the son of SIR DAVID WOODRUFF of Poyle, England, who was knighted in 1603, petitioned for free liberty to trade in London in 1637, married in 1611 LETTICE DUNSCOMBE, dau. of George Duncombe of Weston, County Surrey. They were the parents of six children of whom Matthew was the eldest.

COWLES

ISAAC JOHNSON, IV son of Isaac and Margaret (Miller) Johnson, married at Middletown, Conn., Oct. 26, 1726, THANKFUL COWLES, dau. of Nathaniel and his first wife Phoebe (Woodruff) Cowles, of Farmington, Conn. Phoebe was b. Farmington, Conn., 1676, and d. there Feb. 4, 1712/13.

NATHANIEL COWLES was b. at Farmington, Feb. 11, 1672/73 and d. at Southington, Conn., 1729. m. PHOEBE WOODRUFF (1) Feb. 11, 1696/97. (2) MARY ANDREWS (dau. of Benjamin Andrews)

Four acres of land "lying in a place called Baille Hill in Farmington was given to Nathaniel Cowles, recorded May 23, 1707.

His will dated January 16, 1727-8. Inventory November 22, 1729, proved December 2, 1729. (Manwaring Dig. Vol. 3, page 32.)

Children were born in Farmington, except Nathaniel who was born at Southington, Connecticut

NATHANIEL, born April 28, 1698
THANKFUL, born July 21, 1700. Married October 26, 1726, to ISAAC JOHNSON of Middletown, Connecticut
TIMOTHY, born August 20, 1704

Children Nathaniel and Mary Cowles:

BENJAMIN, born December 18, 1713
JOSEPH, born September 17, 1715
PHEBE, born August 12, 1718, baptised January 27, 1734, in Southington, Conneticut
SAMUEL, born October 9, 1720
DANIEL, born November 4, 1722
NATHANIEL, born May 5, 1730, after the death of his father and brother Nathaniel

SAMUEL COWLES, son of John[1], born 1639, probably at Hartford, Connecticut, died April 17, 1691, at Farmington, Connecticut. Married June 14, 1660 (recorded in Farmington) ABIGAIL STANLEY, who was born at Hartford, Connecticut, and died at a great age in Farmington, Connecticut. She was the daughter of Timothy and Elizabeth Stanley.

Samuel[2] and Abigail (Stanley) Cowles were the father and mother of Nathaniel.[3]

JOHN[1] COWLES—wife, HANNAH—tradition says came to Massachusetts in 1634-5 from the west of England. He became one of the original proprietors of the town of Farmington (see Coles families in America), originally Tunxis, 1640. Land records of Farmington mention a deed of gift from John Cowles to his son, Samuel Cowles, in 1671. He was one of the 84 proprietors of the town of Farmington, gr. grandfather of Thankful Johnson.

John Cowles served one year as constable for Farmington, between 1647 and 1657 (see Colonial Record 1:327), was one of the seven pillars of the Congregational Church, organized October 13, 1652. (N. E. Register x 1:323), Deputy for Farmington to the General Court six sessions 1653-4 (Colonial Record 1:247-250, 256, 261, and Howell's History of Connecticut 1:501), Appraiser of Estate of Thomas Upson September 6, 1655 (see Cowles Families in America, and Histories of Hadley, Hartford and Hatfield, 1664)

John Cowles died at Hatfield, Mass., between September 11, 1675, date of his will, and September 15, 1675, date of inventory, aged 75 or 77 (Town Records).

Original will was lost but copy is on file in Probate Court at Northampton, Mass., placed there by affidavit of Hannah Cowles, relict of John Cowles, deceased.

The will bequeaths to his wife, Hannah, and on her death to his son, John, who when in possession shall give portions to his sisters, Hannah Stanley, Sarah Goodwin, Mary Dickenson, Elizabeth Lyman. He willed that his son, Samuel, should be helpful to his mother, Hannah, for which he was willed ten pounds.

The last will of Hannah Cowles of Hartford, late of Hatfield, was written by her son-in-law, Caleb Stanley (died March 16, 1683).

Children of John and Hannah Cowles:

SAMUEL, born 1639 at Hartford
JOHN, born 1641-2
HANNAH, born 1644-5
SARAH, born 1646, baptised February 7, 1646-7 at Hartford, married CALEB STANLEY
ESTHER, born 1649
MARY, born June 27, 1654
ELIZABETH, born————————

STANLEY

ABIGAIL STANLEY, second dau. and third child of Timothy and Elizabeth Stanley, the emigrants, b. at Hartford, Conn. married June 14, 1660, SAMUEL, eldest son of John Cowles of Hartford, Conn. and Hadley and Hatfield, Mass. He d. April 17, 1691, and Abigail d. in 1734 at a great age.

TIMOTHY STANLEY, father of Abigail, was b. in England, January or March 1602/3, and with his two brothers, John and Thomas, arrived in New England in 1634.

On file among Colonial papers at Hartford is a deposition (See Stanley families) from ELIZABETH, wife of Timothy, who after his death married ANDREW BACON, which reads as follows:

"Elizabeth Bacon aged aboute seaventy yeares testifyeth that I came over from old Englande in a ship with Samuell Greenehill and his wife in the years one hundred and thirty and ffoure, and wee arrived in New Englande some time in Maye 34; I allso doe well remember that goodwife Greenehill and myself did usually account that her son Thimas Greenhill and my son Timothy Stanly was of the same age.

And furder I doe testifye thatt my son Timothy was borne in Janewary, was a twelve month before wee came out of Englande, w'ch was in Janewary one Thousande Sixe hundred thirty and two. And I all soe doe well remember thatt Samuel Greenhill was reputed by those thatt were well acquainted with him in the ship a man of considerable estate and was accordingly entertayned in the ship with Mr. Willard, and Mr. Pantry and Mr. Crayfoote and oathers of good account. Allso the age of my son Timothy is sett down in a Booke of my husband Stanleys which may be seen if neede be, with the age of ye reste of my children and furder saith not."

From Private Controversies 11, 8—"Stanley Families."

The above is without date or signature, in the handwriting of her son, Caleb Stanley, which with following is from "Stanley Families".

"Mrs. Bacon does not give name of ship, but Winthrop's Journal under date of May 14-1634, says, "The week the Court was (May 14-16) there came in six ships, with store of passengers and cattle" and ten days later he adds "These ships by reason of their short passage had store of provisions left, which they put off at easy rates."

Mr. was a designation of honor and Mr. Willard, Mr. Pantry and Mr. Crayfoot were evidently of wealth and social standing and the familiar manner in which she speakes of them would indicate that the Stanleys were of same position in society.

Samuel Willard of above deposition was one of the founders of Groton, Mass., and a distinguished soldier in Indian Wars. He came from Horsmodin, County Kent. Greenhill from Staplehurst, County Kent, so it is possible that the Stanleys were from the same part of England, as a family is recorded in the immediate vicinity in Kent Genealogies by Berry. It is very doubtful, that any of the direct heirs of England, left their inheritance to undergo the uncertainties of a residence in a new country, thus making very remote the connection of these Stanleys with the Earl of Derby Line. It is possible that they belonged to distant relatives of those of the very early time, having the same early ancestor in common, which is made more probable by the continual use of the same given names of John, Timothy and Thomas, in both England and this country.

RATHBUN

(Contributed by Joseph F. Porter)

Four brothers came from England to America and landed at Block Island, where they remained for some time. Two of the brothers finally returned to England. Of the two who remained Edmund Rathbun was the emigrant grandfather of Mercy (Rathbun) Francis, the mother of Lucy (Francis) Porter, and grandmother of the F. J. Porter children.

EDMUND RATHBUN

I. Edmund Rathbun at 32 or 33 years of age married Massa Carpenter. They lived at Saratoga, New York (he probably died there).

Their Children:
EDMUND II
GIDEON (Mercy's father)
DAVID
PERRY
JOHN
ELSIE
LEVISA
ELECTA

II. GIDEON RATHBUN (1766-1838) m. at 32 or 33 years, ANNA NEWBERRY and lived near Saratoga, New York, until after the birth of the oldest child, Edmund III. Later they removed to Wheeling, W. Va., where Mercy was born in 1802. Later they removed to Marietta, Ohio, vicinity and his mother Massa (Carpenter) Rathbun made her home with them (her husband having died) the remainder of her life.

Children of Gideon and Anne (Newberry) Rathbun:
EDMUND, MERCY, WILLIAM, HIRAM, and ELSIE

III. MERCY RATHBUN, born 1802, married at Athens, Ohio, 1831, Nicholas Francis (from Diary of Daniel Francis.)

Their Children:
THANKFUL
GIDEON II
LUCY, b. Feb. 9, 1840; m. F. J. PORTER
LUCINA, m. AMOS LAWSON, Harrison Co., Iowa
FOSTER, m. EMMA STEVENS, Harrison Co., Iowa
LAURA (died in infancy)
AUGUSTA

NICHOLAS FRANCIS was fifteen years older than his second wife, Mercy, his first wife having been Thankful Philips.

Children of Nicholas and Thankful (Philips) Francis:
1. RACHEL, m. G. W. PUGLSEY
2. DESIRE
3. DORSEY, (died young)

Children of Nicholas and Mercy (Rathbun) Francis:
1. THANKFUL, m. MR. COE—two children, Gaston and George
2. GIDEON, m. SARAH (Watson) TYNDALL—Tyndall died in Civil War. He d. in 1890.
3. LUCY FRANCIS, m. F. J. PORTER February 6, 1859, at Jeddo, Iowa (See F J Porter records for other data)

FROM THE DIARY OF DANIEL DE FRANCIS

Translated from the original French by Mrs. Emma (Porter) Sloan.

We left the Island of Gurnsey the 3 of April, 1806, for Jersey to go to America. We left Jersey Apr. 14 and arrived at Norfolk June

3 after 43 days passage. We remained here three days then went to Baltimore, where we remained eleven days. From there we went to New York, arriving there the 24th day of June. We remained there eight days then went to East Chester where we remained until April 21, 1809. In 1813 reached Niagara and in 1816 went to Kaskaskia, Ohio, where we remained until Mar. 12, 1822; after that to Athens or Canaan, Ohio, until June 23, when we arrived at home of Madam Six.

Lucy (Francis) Porter always referred to her as "Aunt Betsy Six" —she was ELIZABETH, the daughter of Daniel and Rachel Francis, and was born in 1789.

It is not known who came with DANIEL FRANCIS, born 1757, and his wife, RACHEL, born in 1756, except their son, NICHOLAS, born in 1787, who is known to have been 19 years old when they left Gurnsey Island in 1806.

Resuming the Diary narrative: "I came to the village here April 12, 1844, where I remained until October 1 to go to the home of Nicholas, where I am now the 23 of April 1842 (This must have been Athens or Canaan, Ohio, for Lucy Francis Porter remembered her grandfather as old and bedridden, when she was young. Her people moved to Indiana in 1854 when she was 14 years of age and to Iowa in 1856 or 7, as they were in Iowa the winter of the deep snow.

HENDERSON

POLLY PALMER married ROBERT[3] HENDERSON.

A tradition in the family gives the birthplace of the emigrant ancestor, Robert[2] Henderson, father of above Robert as some place in Scotland.

The family, consisting of parents and two daughters, a son, George, and the very young Robert[2], removed to the County of Armagh, northern part of Ireland.

About 1808 the emigrant Robert[2] came to this country, being then about twenty-one years of age, and December 23, 1813, married Margaret Harkness, who was born in Ireland.

ROBERT[2] HENDERSON, born 1787, married MARGARET HARKNESS, born 1791. He died 1870 and she died 1869.

Their Children:

1. JAMES, b. October 23, 1814; m. ESTHER MCCRACKEN May 25, 1837
2. JANE, b. June 16, 1816; m. JOHN HENDERSON (no children)
3. GEORGE, b. May 18, 1818; m. ELIZABETH CARTER Dec. 16, 1848. He d. June 20, 1849
4. THOMAS, b. Dec. 30, 1820; m. MARGARET LETTS October 30, 1847. He d. after enlistment in Civil War, in Tenn., August 10, 1864, and was buried in Nashville, Tenn.

Their Children:

(a) Allen, no children; (b) Emma, no children; (c) Curtis—Will and Emma; (d) Hattie—Ida, Charles, Curt, Claude, Emma and Joza; (e) Margaret—Margaret.

5 WILLIAM, b. Mar. 9, 1922; m. MARY LETTS Oct. 30, 1850
- (a) Willis—Will, Mary and Ida
- (b) Edna—Laura, Henry, Myron, Lydia and Will
- (c) Albert—Charles, George, Leona and Walter
- (d) Margaret—no children
- (e) Ella—Eva, Vera, and Laverne

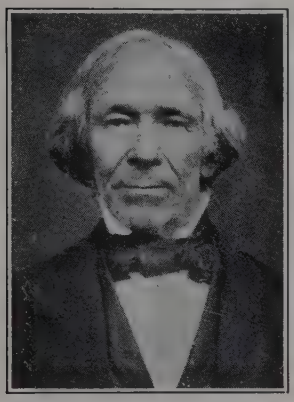
6 HENRY, b. Feb. 16, 1824; m. ANN BENNETT Apr. 27, 1853, (third child of Joseph and Lydia (Birdsall) Bennett, in Delaware County, New York. He d. Nov. 9, 1891. She d. Jan. 6. 1913.

Their Children:

- (a) John, b. Apr. 10, 1854; m. Etta Scott Oct. 11, 1859-Dec. 20, 1898
- (b) George, b. Oct. 13, 1855; m. Catherine Ketterman Jan. 17. 1909
- (c) William (July 9, 1862-Jan. 4, 1916) m. Elizabeth Byrne
- (d) Emma, b. Oct. 1, 1865; m. William Sweezy. (See "Bennett Family")

7. NANCY, b. Apr. 23, 1826; m. JOHN SMITH Dec. 8, 1858. She d. May, 1891. Three children
8. MARTHA, b. May 19, 1828; m. THOMAS MCCONNELL Feb. 14, 1856. Three children
9. ESTHER, b. April 16, 1830
10. ROBERT, b. June 3, 1832; m. POLLY PALMER, of these records March 3, 1861. Five children (See "Polly Palmer")
11. CHARLES, b. March 15, 1836; m. ANNA TAIT May 12, 1859, d. May, 1913

MR AND MRS. ROBERT HENDERSON



ROBERT HENDERSON
Emigrant ancestor, born in Scotland about 1787, died in Kortright, New York, 1870.

MARGARET (Harkness) HENDERSON
Married Dec. 23, 1813. She was b. 1791, d. 1869.

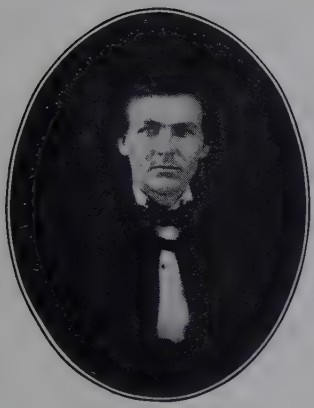
SOME OF THE CHILDREN OF ROBERT HENDERSON
AND MARGARET (HARKNESS) HENDERSON
(From Photos Furnished by Mrs. J. H. Gorman)

THOMAS HENDERSON

MARTHA (Letts) HENDERSON

WILLIAM HENDERSON

MARY (Letts) HENDERSON



MRS. JOHN HENDERSON
(Jane Henderson)

MRS. MARTHA (HENDERSON) McCONNELL
and grandchildren of her brother, William Henderson.

ROBERT HENDERSON m. MARGARET HARKNESS

Charles and Anna (Tait) Henderson		Marian and Richard Hudson	Patricia Richard Jr.
		Jennie and Harvey Jacobs	Helen Dorothy Harvey Jr.
	Emma C. and Thomas Monteith	Maida and Carl Howard	
		Anna and Henry Bilkerl	Margaret Monteith Virginia Barbara
	Andrew T. and Christine	Arthur Henderson Ruth Anne Henderson	
	Leonard and Anna	Harold Henderson Hazel Henderson	
	Fannie and Fayette Hillis	Harold Hillis and Ruth Caldwell	Walter Hillis
	Mary and George Monteith	Leonard Monteith and Marian Kimball	
		Carol and Frances (Not married)	
	Anna M. (Not married)		

ENOCH PALMER married JEMIMA MOORE and BENJAMIN PALMER married SARAH MOORE. Jemima and Sarah were descended from the same original ancestor—the progenitor of the family in this country —Andrew Moore of Poquonock and Windsor, Connecticut. "Andrew and Sara (Phelps) were married by Captain Newberry February 15, 1671. She was born March 16, 1663/4, and was appointed administrator of his estate after his death, which occurred November 29, 1710.

Of their nine children, Benjamin[2], the eighth child, was the father of Jemima, and William[2] the 6th child, was the great grandfather of Sarah.

BENJAMIN[2] MOORE, born December 5, 1693, died in the British Army (Connecticut Continental, at Cape Briton Island, January 19, 1745/6). He belonged to the 11th company of Connecticut troops. His marriage to Eunice Owen is of record only in an account book of his grandson, Reuben Moore, of March 3, 1784, in which is stated, "that Noadiah was the son of Benjamin Moore by his wife Eunice Owen."

JEMIMA MOORE, 7th child of Benjamin and Eunice (Owen) Moore, was born in Symsbury, Connecticut, married ENOCH PALMER July 10, 1746. She died May 23, 1790, and he died in Winsted, Conn., in 1795. (See Palmer records.)

WILLIAM MOORE, gr. grandfather of Sarah (Moore) Palmer, was the sixth child of Andrew and Sara (Phelps) Moore. He was born in 1684 and died in East Granby, Conn. May 9, 1780. Married first, ELIZABETH CASE, who was born in 1683, and died in East Granby, September 29, 1732. They had nine children, of which JAMES[3] MOORE (the grandfather of Sarah) was born June 6, 1716, married RACHEL (daughter of Matthew Grant) May 25, 1737, who was born April 17, 1714. He died in East Granby March 5, 1788.

They had seven children, of whom WILLIAM MOORE, the second, was the father of Sarah.

WILLIAM[4] MOORE was at Bunker Hill under Thomas Knowlton (Captain) and served three subsequent enlistments. His final discharge dated May 5, 1780, from 3rd Reg. Conn. Line, Col. Samuel

Wyllis (Rev. records). He married Sarah—and they had six children of whom Sarah (Palmer) was the oldest born May 3, 1757.

In some Revised War records in our possession, "Sarah (wife of Benjamin Palmer) was mentioned as the daughter of William Moore of Southwick." In the will of James Moore, father of William, made Dec. 19, 1782, he disposes of land in Mooretown (now Southwick, Mass., and in Turkey Hills (now Granby) to his children, of whom William was one of those mentioned.

The accounts of Andrew[1], Benjamin[2] and William[4] show them to have been of service to their communities and their country. Andrew[1]. "In 1675 was paid 11b, 17 s, on War Account by Matthew Grant." This was probably for services during the destruction of Symsbury by the Indians. He received a grant of land at Granby, in 1680, and he with three others was paid for making a ferry boat for the town, Jan. 23, 1674.

On March 29, 1715, Andrew Moore deeded to his son, Benjamin Moore, "for divers good causes and consideration, me thereunto moving but especially in consideration of my fatherly love and affection I have for my son Benjamin 50 acres of land in Turkey Hills" (now East Granby). (For Benjamin[2] and William[4] see above records.)

PHELPS

Sarah (Phelps) Moore, wife of Andrew and grandmother of Jemima (Moore) Palmer and gr. gr. grandmother of Sara (Moore) Palmer, was the daughter of Samuel[3] Phelps and granddaughter of William[2] Phelps, the progenitor of the family in this country.

William[2] Phelps, son of Wm. Phelps, was baptised at Tewksbury Abbey church, England, August 19, 1599. He and his wife and six children came to New England on the ship Mary and John, Capt. Squeb, sailing from Plymouth, England, March 20, 1630. A settler and one of the founders of Dorchester; often on Com. to establish boundary lines; Freeman about 1630; Deputy to Gen. Court and a member of first jury trial in New Eng. Removed to Windsor and presided at court, ordering a "defensive War against the Pequots. In 1641 was Gov. of Windsor colony—a man of property as shown by high pew rent paid by him. Unable to prove that he had paid Sehat the Indian for land he paid a second time (with wampum)

proving his honesty. A sufferer from "the great flood" of 1639, he soon removed to "Phelps Meadows."

He died at Windsor July 15, 1672. His will mentions his children of whom Samuel was the 4th.

Samuel Phelps (father of Sarah) was b. in England and came with his parents, first to Dorchester and later to Windsor, where he married Nov. 10, 1650 Sarah Griswold. Sarah was the second child of this marriage and was born before the removal of the family home to Quonock, where Josiah, father of Damarius (Phelps) was born, she later became the second wife of William[2] Moore.

Evidently Samuel was a useful citizen as he received a grant of land in Poquonock, where he died May 15, 1669.

GRISWOLD

Sara[3] Griswold, wife of Samuel Phelps, and maternal great-grandmother of Jemima (Moore) Palmer was the daughter of Edward and Margaret Griswold. She was born in Kennelworth, England, and came with her parents to New England in 1639. After her husband's death she married Nathaniel Pinney, July 21, 1670.

Edward[2] Griswold, father of Sarah, and emigrant ancestor of New England, was the son of George Griswold, and was born in Warwickshire, Eng. about 1607. He came to Connecticut in 1639 as attorney for Mr. St. Nicholas of Warwickshire, who had a house built for him at Windsor and a tract of land impaled as did Sir Richard Salissonstall. Receiving a grant of land in 1649 in Poquonock he removed there, where his house was an outpost of the Colony. He was a deputy for the general court of Windsor in 1656 and every session but one until the new charter was granted. He later removed to Saybrook with his younger children and this new settlement was named Kennelworth after his home in England, but was preverted to Killingsworth and is now Clinton. In 1678 he was on Com. to establish a Latin school at New London, and was a deacon in (Killingsworth) Clinton church. He died there in 1691 at age of 91 years. He m. 1st in England Margaret, who d. Aug. 23, 1670, and whose gravestone was the oldest in Clinton cemetery. She was the mother of Sarah (Griswold) Phelps.

SOME OF THOSE WHO SERVED IN THEIR COUNTRY'S DEFENSE

COLONIAL

John Johnson—"Surveyor of all ye armies"; Charter member of "The Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company."

Captain Isaac Johnson—Killed in historical "Fort Fight," 1675, Narragansett War; Member of Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company.

REVOLUTION

Timothy Johnson (See War records).
Benjamin Palmer (See War Records).

CIVIL WAR

Frank J. Porter, after Spirit Lake Massacre, organized a company of Volunteers, the members of which were merged into Company E, Sixth Iowa Cavalry. He gave three years to the service of his country and was mustered out with Honorable Discharge in 1865.

Orville Hosford—Killed while his Cavalry company were storming a bridge near Nashville, Tenn., buried in the National Cemetery at Nashville. Knoxville Tenn

Thomas Henderson—Died, while under enlistment, in Tennessee, and buried in National Cemetery, Nashville.

WORLD WAR

Clyde H. Porter—(See Copy of Discharge).

Blaine Sloan—Entered service in May, 1918—sent to Camp Mills, New York, on Long Island, quarantined for three weeks on account of case of measles in camp. Died (of bronchial pneumonia) at the American Red Cross Military Hospital at Mosely Hill, Liverpool, England, and was buried in Everton Cemetery. His body was returned and reinterred in Geneva, Nebraska, Sept. 30, 1920.

William McKinley Sloan—Belonged to S. A. T. C.—Enlisted October 18, 1918—Discharged at Washington, D. C., December 7, 1918. He was attending George Washington University at time of enlistment.

Lynn Leslie Dean—Son of John and Zellah Dean (grandson of Mary (Palmer) Bennett, entered service and died at Bazoilles, France, September 30, 1918. Co. E, 33rd Engineers.

Joseph F. Porter, Jr. (See copy of Discharge.)

Charles Porter Sloan—Belonged to 260 Aero Squadron 260—Honorably discharged from Army service, Dec. 7, 1918, at Camp Mills, New York.

Orlo Bartholomew—Enlisted in Department of Naval Aviation summer of 1917, receiving ground school training at Dunwoody Institute, Minneapolis; trained as balloon pilot, Goodyear Balloon School, Akron, Ohio, receiving commission of Ensign. Served at Naval Air Station, Norfolk, Virginia, spending some time on U. S. Virginia, coast patrol with plane and balloon. Similar duties Naval Air stations, North Sydney, Nova Scotia and Rockaway Beach, Long Island; injured twice in line of duty and finally sent to Great Lakes Naval Hospital, near Chicago, where he received his discharge April, 1919.

Howard Evans—Entered service July 26, 1918, Company B, 328th Infantry, 82nd Division. Went overseas and returning was honorably discharged at Camp Dodge, Iowa, May 29, 1919.

Ralph E. Porter—Commission dated 3rd April, 1924. Second Lieutenant Field Artillery, Officers' Reserve Corps, Army U. S. A.

Lewis Bartholomew—Volunteered April 9, 1917, 1st Minn. Infantry as Mounted Scout; transferred March, 1918, to the Aerial Photographic Section of Air Service. Finished at U. S. Photograph School at Rochester, N. Y., and was made instructor for three months. Overseas with Photo Section No. 10, as Sergeant over 30 men and a 2nd Lieutenant over all. Went to Tours, France, 2nd Aviation Training Camp; made Sergeant Major of Photograph School. Directly after Armistice was made Master Electrician. Returned to U. S. in July and was discharged in September by wire, while attending Dartmouth College on temporary furlough. Graduated in 1921.

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
Adjutant General's Office
Hartford

November 9, 1926.

Mr. Joseph F. Porter,
Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of 2nd inst. relative to military service of

Timothy Johnson, you are advised that this name appears in several enlistments and credited to Cornwall, Milford and Canaan.

Timothy Johnson of Canaan, private in 14th regiment, Co. Charles Burrell's, detached to serve in two Battalions raised for defence of sea coast and frontiers to March 1, 1780.

Very respectfully,

G. M. COLE,

Adjutant General.

Rev. War Section

3—1865

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF PENSIONS

WASHINGTON

December 3, 1913.

Mrs. J. F. Porter,

Madam:—

In response to your letter dated the 25th and received the 28th ultimo, you are advised that in the papers in claim R. File 7,907 Rev. War, it is stated that Benjamin Palmer resided in Winsted Society, town of Winchester, Litchfield Co., Conn., when he enlisted January 1, 1777, and served three years in Colonel P. B. Bradley's regiment of Connecticut troops: that he married in Winsted Society, Sarah Moore, daughter of William Moore of Southwick, Mass.

Benjamin Palmer died at Cornwall, Conn., in October 1812 aged sixty-seven years, and his widow Sarah died in Winsted Society in the fall of 1835. They had six children. Benjamin; Susan who died prior to 1851; Reuben; Leman; Sally, wife of Leverett Jakway; and Norman aged sixty years in 1851.

On September 8, 1851, Sally Jakway of Winchester, Conn., and Norman Palmer of Kingsville, Ashtabula County, Ohio, applied for the pension which might have been due on account of the services of their father, Benjamin Palmer, but the claim was never allowed for the reason that the soldier died in 1812, which was prior to the passage of any Act of Congress granting pension for service in the Revolutionary War, therefore the children had no title.

Very respectfully,

G. M. SALTZGABER,

Commissioner.

COPY

HONORABLE DISCHARGE FROM THE UNITED STATES ARMY

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to Certify, that CLYDE H. PORTER No. 216217—CORPORAL—MOTOR TRUCK CO. 698—M. T. C. THE UNITED STATES ARMY, as a Testimonial of Honest and Faithful Service, is hereby HONORABLY DISCHARGED from the military service of the United States by reason of C*ircular* 106 *W. D.* 1918

Said CLYDE H. PORTER was born in ST. LOUIS, in the State of Missouri. When enlisted he was 28 years of age and by occupation a Farmer. He had Blue eyes, L. Brown hair, Ruddy complexion, and was 5 feet 8 inches in height.

Given under my hand at CAMP DIX, N. J., this 18th day of October, one thousand nine hundred and Nineteen.

JOHN W. FOOS,
Major U. S. A.
Commanding.

COPY

UNITED STATES NAVAL RESERVE FORCE

DISCHARGE

This is to Certify That PORTER, JOSEPH FRANKLIN, Jr. 335-80-55 an Apprentice Seaman, Prov., this date has been discharged from the U. S. S. Ninth Naval District and the U. S. Naval Reserve Force, Class 4, by reason of HONORABLY DISCHARGED FROM THE U. S. NAVAL RESERVE FORCE 30 SEPTEMBER 1921, In Accordance With Alnav 67 Is_____recommended for reenrollment. Rating best qualified to fill, A. S.
Dated this 30th day of September, 1921, at Great Lakes, Ill.
Character of discharge HONORABLE.

H. R. HAYES, U. S. N.
Lieutenant by direction.

JOHN WELD'S WILL

From a copy made April 4, 1929, from Probate Court Record

Apr. 4, 1929—

Suffolk S. S. Probate Court

COPY

The last will and testament of John Weld, Senior (son of Joseph Weld and brother of Mary (Weld) Harris, whose daughter married Isaac Johnson, grandson of John Johnson.

Being suddenly called forth upon an expedition against the Indians and knowing how it may please the Lord to dispose of me; considering also that many that have been sent forth upon this service have been suddenly cut off, I do therefore seriously desire to commit my soule into the hands and to the protection of the Almighty God who gave it, and the Lord Jesus Christ my Redeemer, not doubting but after this Tabernacle of my flesh shall be dissolved and my body shall be reduced into dust, it shall again through the Power of God obtain a resurrection to an eternal estate, and then this my body and soule shall be united, and through the merits and merciful Atonement of my blessed Saviour the Lord Jesus Christ be advanced to an Estate of Eternall Glory amongst those that are sanctified by faith in him.

Concerning the portion of temporal blessings which it hath pleased the Lord in his great Goodness to afford unto me, it is my desire that it may be disposed of as followeth:

When it shall please the Lord to remove me out of this world and by death to put an end to my dayes, it is my desire that my loving wife Margaret Weld may have my whole Estate of what kind and nature soever, and the improvement thereof for the maintaining of her selfe and such of my children as are not yet disposed but left in her hands, and that dureing her natural life, who I do by these presents make & constitute my Sole Executrix.

When it shall please God in whose hands are all our times to take away my wife my will is that my Estate shall be divided, each of my children being then to receive an equal share thereof, and my son Joseph a double portion but if either of my children should dy before the Estate comes to a division, or without a Male heir, the land shall not pass from my owne children but in case my son Joseph should dy before and should not have a male heir, then my

son John should receive a double portion and in all things have the privilege of my Eldest son. If any of my children which are yet unmarryed and have not yet received any of my Estate should dy unmarried or without issue then their shares of the Estate shall be divided amongst those which do survive at the time of Division.

Whereas there are three of my children, namely John, Mary and Hannah, which have had little benefit by my Estate in respect of what my son Joseph and my Daughter Elizabeth have had, it shall be at the Liberty of my wife to help any of these children with and by the improvement of the Estate at her owne discretion; or in case any of them should marry before the division of the Estate it shall be in her power to help them by anything of the Estate except land, what they so receive out of the real Estate coming under an Inventory being to be accounted at the division of the estate as part of their portion. Finally I do relinquish all other and former will or wills and acknowledge this to my last will and testament and request my beloved friends Mr. Isaac Addington & my Cousin John Gore to be Overseers of this my will requesting them to be assistant unto my wife (whom I have before constituted my Executrix) in the performance and Execution thereof. In acknowledgment of which premisses I have hereunto set my hand and seale this nineteenth day of June in the year of our Lord One Thousand six hundred seventy and six.

JOHN WELD (and a seal)

In presence of: Henry Bowen, John Gore, Mary ×. Ffrissell
her mark

Boston, April 28, 1692

Mrs. Margaret Weld the sole Executrix presented this will for probate.

Mr. Henry Bowen & Mr. John Gore made Oath in County Court that they were present & did see John Weld the testator signe and seals and heard him publicly say this instrument to be his last will & testament & that then he was of Disposing mind to sign understandingly.

Attest: Joseph Webb, Oer.

JOSEPH WELD'S WILL

From a copy made April 4, 1929, from Probate Court Records
Suffolk, S. S. Probate Court

COPY

Joseph Weld's Will. He was grandfather of Mary (Harris) Johnson (wife of Isaac Johnson II).

Ipswich this 2 of the 4 moth 1646

being visited by the hand of the lord & not knowing what the pleasure of god may be: my spirit being restless, and out of quiet because my house is not set in ordor: I think it my dewty to goe about the work, haveing first sought to God for direction & thogh I cannot doe it soe well as I might, had I bine at home, yet because I know not whether ever I shall return, I doe therefore make this my last will & testiment as followeth Imprimis, I give to the Colidg in Cambridg Tenn pounds, to be payd in five yeeres viz: 40£ p Annum to the helps & fortheranc of such in larning as are not able to subsist of themselves & herein I referr my self to m^{r} Dunster & m^{r} Eliot, whom I esteeme & honor In the lord, to be disposed as they judg meet, only by this I recall the 20^{s} a yeere back againe w^{ch} I put to my fund to give to Dr. Ames sonn; yet if thos a fournamed Judg it fit to give him the 40£ p Annum I leave it to their wisdom, this legacy I would have payd by my executrix: & the payment to begin: 6 months after my decease 20^{s} & 6 months after 20^{s} & so on till the terme & som be expired: It I give to my sonn John: who is now by eldest sonn & to my sonn Thomas my sonn Edmond & my daughter Mary my howse caled the farme with barne gardin & all the erable land midow pasture ground contaying 80 ackers & upward with all the hous (words missing) yoks chaines & all the furniture; allso my last devission of land being the 22 or 23 lot being about (words missing) 130 akers more or less allso 3 akers of land somtims John ground lying nere to the ground of Josuah Hewes allso five akers of salt marsh more or less that was bought of the Heirs of Samuell Shoreman; lying next the marsh of John watson all these howses & moveables cattell & p^{r}cells of land named I give to those 4 of my children named: To have & Injoy to them & ther Heirs for ever In manner following viz: my sonn John being my elder son my will is he should have a dubble p tion & all the other three an equall p tion, further my will is p^{r}sently after my death they shall enter upon the same & those friends that I shall here after name to be the overseers of my will to be p^{r}formed, I desire they may be

such order that the best Improvement be made and an equall portion to etch child, according as is formerly expressed allso my will is that if god take any of them away by death under the age of 21 yeeres or day of marrage that the servivors of these 4 children named shall Injoy his or ther p tions I allso give to hanna my youngest daughter by my first wife my ground comonly cald the leaven akers lying next mudy rever to be Improved for her soe soone as God shall take me away, allso I give to my daughter Hanna 20^{s} to be payd out of my goods by my wife barbara weld at the age of 21 or day of marrage if god take her away before my will is that her p tion shallbe divided among the children I had by my former wife allso my will is iff I dy before that time be expired that I am Ingaged to m^{r} Hoocks (or Hocker) to find her clothes then I leave it to be don out of her portion, allso my will is that my children I had by my former wife have etch of them a payer of sheets & all the beding except that w^{ch} I shall hereafter name, allso I give to those 4 children as to John Thomas Edmond & Mary all the rent w^{ch} is due to me from william davis w^{ch} is a whol yeers rent & something more only I desire that he may be abated five pounds of what shallbe found to be due allso my will is that my overseers do soe p^{r}formed out of the corne w^{ch} william davis is to pay that brother edward porter send Ten bushels of rie allso brother mayes 5 bushells brother Jones 5 bushells & brother lewis 5 bushells brother peake 5 bushells brother gamlin 5 bushells to be payd to them so soone as it can be conveniently thrashed.

Allso my will is because my house in the towne have little wood belong to it that my wife & children that are to injoy that shall have fre liberty to take soe much In the furthermost grounds as will serve for their use for fiering p vided that cutt it out and mak no strroy & this to Injoy for the Space of Ten yeeres next after my decease allso my will is that those 5 children named shall have etch of them a boock ther be 3 of doct presters one of Dr. Sibbs m^{r} rogers 7 treatises the eldest to take his choyse first allso my will is that my sonn John have my best stuff suit & my son Thomas my frise suit & Edmond such a p tion as may be equall, allso I giv to my son John my cloth cloke, to my son daniell I give allso a suitable p tion of my apparrell, w^{ch} I desire may be equally parted among all my sonnes except my black tamey cloke w^{ch} I give to my much esteemed friend m^{r} John Eliot o^{r} Teachor my best sword I give to my sonn John & my other sword & black belt to my sonn Thomas, further my

will is (words missing) In the Iron works the yearly p fit of it my be disposed to bring up my son Thomas at Cambridg till he com to b m^{r} of Art & if my son daniell be capiable of lening my desire is that he allso after my son Thomas have the life benifit till he com to be m^{r} of Art & then after that the wholl to be equally devided among all my children; & Heirs forever. Allso I give & bequeath to my dearly beloved wife barbara weld (whom I make my sole executrix) together with my son daniel, my daughter hana my daughter mary: my house I live In with all the howsing yards gardins homlott & the 18 akers In the nexk, allso that cow I bought at watertown for the other is my son John's together with too young steeres that are somering at John woods Sudbury these excepted I give to my deare wife all othr cattell at home allso I give to my deare wife & her children the down beade & bolster & all things belonging to the bead & the beadstead on the best chamber & one other fether bead & the beadsted on the hall chamber with the yallow rugg & longest green rugg & 4 pillows 2 payer of blankits allso on flock bead, all the othr beads either fethr beads & flock beads with blankits ruggs & all othr beading I give to these 5 children I had by my former wife to be equally partd among them allso to etch of them a payer of sheets & all the rest of the sheets or lining or woolins I give to my wife & her children only this exception hereafter mentioned my daughter denison affirmes the down bead, my wives mother gave to her after my decease, I know no such thing yet being soe confidently affirmed by her my will is after the decease of my wife (if she outlive her) otherwise not then the downe bead & bolster with the binded covering shalbe my daughter denisons. Allso I give to my wife & her children all my other moveable goods, my wife to have one half, the rest of the children ther p tion I meane the children I had by her allso I give to my wife all my debts moneys or any othr thing not formerly expressed p vided that spetiall car^{e} first be taken that all the debts I owe either In old England or new be first payd those in old england by the first returns, the debts I owe I shall set down together allso m^{r}. cuddington's anewity of 20 th a yeere till 7 yeeres be expired except death prvent too yeer & a half being payd allready allso 40^{s}. a yeere for 5 yeers to the Colidg & my othr debts my wife & her children to have all except that befor expressed, she to have the on half & Injoy all till the children be brought up but if the lord so order that my wife chang her condition then I desire my overseers to take order that my childrens

p tions be secured; now if any of the children I had by my wife now living decease before 21 or chang of ther condition by marrage that ther p tion shall go to the survivors if the lord shold take away my wife In the state of her widow hood then my will is that her p tion shalbe devided among all my children thus have I finished my will In the best manor my weak condition will (words missing) esteemed Friends m^{r} John Eliot heath Edward Clapp of dorchester & william parks all of them or the main part of them to take care to se my will fullfilled & that my deare wife may be counselled & coumforted by them & my children Instructed & brought up in the feare of the lord & as a token of my love for ther great paines they are like to take I will that 10th be payd to them out of my estate w^{ch} I appoynt my beloved wife to pay w^{ch} is but a small recompenc my desire is that the lord woud requit all ther pains & labour of love Into ther bosome Amen Amen

P— me Joseph weld

This 22 of the 5 month 1646 & brother bell, allso brother John Johnson my desire is that Leuetenant Hewes, may be added to the rest of over seers because they know that state os som reccon-ings whom I earnestly desire to Joyne with brother bell In packing my beavor an other goods to pay my debts in England. allso one thing more my will is that if after my debts be payd & my anewatys considered of ther be a manifest diffrenc betwin those children I have by this wife & the former that then It shall remaine In the power of my over seers to regulate it my desire being to make my children equall & soe likewis if it shall appeare on the contrary p vided always & my mynd is that my wife shall have the one halfe of what I give to her & her children.

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Wittnes by us

Joshua Hewes

John Johnson

ENOCH[7] PALMER'S WILL
COPY

Distribution of the Estate of ENOCH[7] PALMER of Winchester, Conn. (not including personal property) acres not stated.

To Benjamin[8] Palmer, land laid out on East side of County Road and South of land laid out to Reuben Palmer.

To Lazarus Palmer, land on East side of County road, south of land laid out to Mary Sweet.

To Reuben Palmer, land East side of County road.

To Solomon Palmer, land south of and laid out to Lazarus Palmer.

To Mary Sweet, land laid out (no description).

To Keziah Emmons, land laid out on East side of County Road, next south of Solomon Palmer.

To Heirs of Elizabeth Emmons, land laid out (no description).

To Heirs of Jemima Emmons, land laid out (no description).

To Rhoda Norton, land laid out (no description).

In all cases of the distribution the value of the real estate was given as 12-2-8¾.

The value of the widow's third was 68-0-1.

In the final accounting 18 acres of land "situated by itself was given to Solomon Palmer, to pay a debt, by agreement of the whole," and valued at 18-0-0.

Inventory (real estate only) of Enoch Palmer of Winchester, Conn., dated July 1795 (Norfolk Conn. Probate Records)

6¾ acres with orchard	81-7-9	81-7-9
14 acres, as supposed, west of County road and rulling to Still River		55-5-0
16 acres West of Still River on the mountain		11-4-0
House and well		16-0-0
18 acres lying South of William Merriam's		18-0-0
Total (including personal property)		228-1-1½

JOHN[1] JOHNSON'S WILL

COPY

From a copy made Feb. 4, 1929, from Probate Court Record

Suffolk, S. S. Probate Court

The last will & Testament of John Johnson of Roxbury, this 30th of the 7th, '59, having my perfect memory & understanding by the blessing of my mercyfull Father, whose reconciled face in Jesus Christ my soule waiteth to behould. I dispose of my worldly goods & estate as followeth. My dwelling house & certaine lands I have allready given to my beloved wife during the terme of her natural life, according to a deed wh is extant wh deede my will is shall be fulfilled, wherein also I have given her 60 pounds for her household furniture, wh house & lands after my wives decease I give unto my 5 children to be equally divided, my eldest sonne having a double portion therein, according to the word of God. I give unto my two grandchildren who have lived with me Elizabeth Johnson and Mehitabel Johnson, each of them 5Lbs this tobe paide within one yeare after my decease. I have formerly given to my sonnes Isaac Johnson and Robert Pepper a parcel of lands of 55 acres in the third division of the towns which I do hereby confirme.

All the rest of my lands and debts & moveable goods, my debts and funeral charges being first discharged, I doe give unto my five children to be equally divided, my eldest sonne haveing a double portion. Also I make my sonns Isaak Johnson & Robert Pepper my executors of this my last will & Testament. & I request my deare brethren Elder Heath, & Deakon Parke, to be overseers, of this my will & Testament. & in token of my love I give you each 10 pounds. If my children should disagree in any thing, I doe order them to choose one man more, to these my overseers, & stand to theire determination.

Witness the mark of J. J. Johnson

John Eliot

that in the margin of the time of paying the legacys & the word (debts) interlined, were put in with his consent & are part of his will.

Witness John Alcocke

Edward Denison

At a meeting of the Magistrates 15 October (59) Mr. Jno Alcocke & Edw. Denison deposed saith that they were present & saw John John-

son signe this paper as his last will & testament ye day & year above exprest. Edw. Dawson Recorder

Present
Ye Govr.
Dept. Govr. &
Recorder

An inventorie of ye goods and chattell of John Johnson Late of Roxbury Deceased:

	£	s	b
2 fether beads 2 bolsters 3 pillows 2 sheets wh (with) 3 blankets and A rugg with curtans and valents (valences) with a bed steed	10	00	00
a tabl 6 Joyn stools and a carpet	2	00	00
1 drincking glass 1 hoar (hour) glass	00	01	06
3 hats & wearing aparell with boots stockings bands caps handcherches	20	00	00
2 bibles 1 psalme booke and 8 books more	01	05	00
12 lb of yarn 13 scains	01	04	00
1 curtain rod 1 pair of pinsers 2 pair of sheers	00	03	06
8 silver spoons	02	00	00

CAPTAIN ISAAC[2] JOHNSON'S WILL

From a copy made Feb. 4, 1929, from Probate Court Record
Suffolk S. S. Probate Court

COPY

The Last Will & testament of Captain Isaac Johnson of Roxbury this 8 of March 1673 I haveing my perfect memory & understanding first I committ my Soule to God in Jesus Christ, Secondly I committ my body to my beloved wife & children to be decently buried. Thirdly I doe dispose of my worldly goods as followeth—my debts & funerall charges being discharged my will is that Elizabeth my beloved wife Shall have all my moveable goods except my apparrell at her owne dispose & the houseing & Land during the time of her Naturall life & after her decase my will is the houseing & Land bee divided betweene my fower children my Sonne Isaac or his heires to have double portion & Soe the portion of the rest to goe to theire heires that is in case my imediate Children any of them bee dead before they come to Injoy there portion. Also my will is that my Beloved wife bee Sole Executrixe of this my Last will & I request my Brother Edward Porter & Cozen John Weld to bee Overseerss of this my Last will, my will is that all my weareing apparell be divided betweene my sonne Isaac and my Sonne Nathaniell my Sonne Isaac to have two Shares or a double portion of my sd apparrell. Witness my hand this 28th of June One thousand Six hundred Seaventy five.

Isaac Johnson Senior

Mr. Jno. Weld & Samuell Craft appeared before Symon Bradstreet Samuell Danforth & Edw. Tyng Esqrs. this 10th of febr 1676 made Oath that being well acquainted with the Late Capt. Isaac Johnson & his hand writing they verrily believe & Judge that the above sd whereto his name is Subscribed is all his owns handwriting this thus deposed as Attests. ffreegrace Bendall, Recordr.

Present Thomas Davenport & Edw. Tyng } Esqrs. Boston 10th of
Symon Bradstreet } febro. 1676

Administration to the Estate of Capt. Isaac Johnson Late of Roxbury (Slaine at Naragansett) is granted to Elizabeth his relict Shee haveing brought in an Inventory of sd Estate & giveing Security to administer according to Law as Attests ffree grace Bednall Recordr.

INVENTORY

Capt. Isaac Johnson's Estate

£579, 12s. 6d. House, out-houses, orchard gardens, etc. 120. 84A. L365. 2 horses, 2 oxen, 4 cows, 4 young cattle, 7 swine, stack of bees, bridle, saddle, pillion, 3 bibles; carpenter, mason & wheelwright tools; and furnishings of a parlor, kitchen, parlor chamber, kitchen chamber, and cellar.

L stands for pounds.

COPY

ESTATE OF ISAAC[3] JOHNSON, II.

Middletown, Conn. Date 1720. No. 3050

Hartford Probate District

January the thirteenth in the year of our Lord 1719/20

I, Isaac[3] Johnson, Senior, of Middletown in the County of Hartford and Colony of Connecticut in New England, being weak of body but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given to God therefore: Do make and ordain this my last will and testament: Principally and first of all I give and commend my soul to God who gave it: and my body to the earth to be buried in a Christian-like and decent manner:

Imprimis: My just debts and financial charges being first paid I will and dispose of such worldly estate as God hath pleased to bless me with in the following manner:

Imprimis: I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary all the provision which is in my house and half the household stuff and all my stock and husbandry tools, tackling and utensils to be her own to dispose of as she shall see good: and also fifteen acres of land which came by her brother Thomas to dispose of at her own pleasure: also my will is that she shall have the improvement of my dwelling house and barn and all my lands that are improved, during her natural life. She paying the debts which I owe.

Item: I give to my son Isaac Johnson (besides what I have allready given him) one hundred and twenty acres of land lying out towards the great swamp, the east end of my lot there: also I give him the breadth of his lot at the plain to run westward the width of the farm: Also I give him all my wearing cloeths.

Item: I give to my son Daniel (besides what I have allready given him) the breadth of his lot at the plain to run westward the width of the farm.

Item: I give to my son Joseph (besides what I have allready given him) the breadth of his lot at the plain to run westward the width of the farm:

Item: I give to my son Nathaniel's heirs (besides what I have already given them) the breadth of their lot at the plain to run westward the width of the farm, also fifty-five acres of land in Haddam bounds which fifty-five acres of land is to be divided between the two sons, Nathaniel to have a double part and Jonathan a single share: and my will is that Nathaniel, my son's oldest son, should have a double portion of all of that I give to that family.

Item: To my son Daniel and Joseph and Nathaniel's heirs I give all my lands on the east side of the great river.

Item: I give to my daughter Elizabeth: my house and barn and all my homestead and orchard after her mother's decease: also I give her a quarter part of my household stuff.

Item: I give to my daughter Mary the west end of my lot toward the great swamp. All the remainder which I have not already disposed of, and a quarter part of the household stuff, And I do appoint my three sons, Isaac, Daniel and Joseph to be executors of this my last will and testament: hereby utterly revoking and disanulling all former wills and testaments and establishing and confirming this: In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Isaac Johnson, Senior, as his last will and testament his Senr
in prensences of us as subscribers— Isaac | Johnson
Mark:

William Russel
William Harris
John Harris

(What is written in the fifth article in small character with relation to Nathaniel's children was written before signing and sealing:—:)

Mr. William Russell, William Harris and John Harris witnesses to the within mentioned will of Isaak Johnson, deceased, appeared in Middletown the eighth day of February Anno Domini 1719-20, and made sollom oath that they saw the said Isaak Johnson, Senior, signe and seale the within mentioned instrument and declared it to be his last will and testament.

Before me, John Hamlin, Assistt.

Exhibited in court of Probate March 1st, 1719-20 allowed accepted and ordered to be recorded and kept on file.

Robt. Her. Wyllys, Clerk.

COPY

ESTATE OF ISAAC[4] JOHNSON III.

Middletown, Conn. Date 1744 No. 3051

Hartford Probate District

This first Day of January, Anno qr. Domini, 1739/40, I, Isaac[4] Johnson of Middletown, in the county of Hartford and Colony of Connecticut in New England, being advanced to the age of near seventy years, but of sound disposing mind and memory, thanks be given to God therefor, and considering the uncertainity of my Life, knowing it is appointed for men once to dye, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament, that is to say, principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it, when he shall put a period to my temporal life, and my body to the earth to a decent burial, hoping to have free pardon of all my sins through the merits of Jesus Christ my blessed Redeemer, and to inherit everlasting life: and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give, demise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form. Imprimis: I give and bequeath unto Margaret my well beloved wife, one-third part of all my household goods, and stock, to be at her own dispose, and the improvement of so much of my real estate that I have by deed of gift given or shall herein give to my son Stephen as she shall have occasion for during her natural life.

Item: I give to my son John all that piece of land on which he now dwells, and all that piece of land, on which his barn now stands, running eastward to the extent of my land there, which with

what I have allready given to my said son by deed of gift, is his full portion of my estate, to him, his heirs, and assigns forever.

Item: I give to my son Isaac, the sum of ten shillings to be paid by my executor, after named, which with what I have already given to him by deed of gift, is his full portion of my estate.

Item: I give to my son Thomas, all that piece of land on which he now dwells, supposed to contain about forty acres, which makes his full portion of my estate.

Item: I give to my son Henry, the sum of ten shillings to be paid by my executor after named, which with what I have already given to him by deed of gift, is his full portion of my estate.

Item: I give to my son William all my waring apparrel which with what I have already given him by deed of gift, makes his full portion of my estate.

Item: I give to my son Stephen, all one piece of land, lying near Thomas Tryons, containing about eight acres more or less, bounded east on the town highway, west on ye mill brook, north on Abel Tryon's land and south on Nathaniel Johnson's land: I also give him the other two-thirds of my stock and husbandry tools and utensils whatsoever, which with what I have already given him by deed of gift makes his full portion of my estate. Only it is to be observed that I have allowed to my beloved wife Margaret, the improvement of so much of the real estate (that I have given my said son Stephen) as she shall have occasion for during her natural life. It is to be understood, and my will is, that my said son shall have the improvement thereof so long as he shall provide for my said wife comfortable and honorable maintainance.

Item: I give to my daughter Sarah, the sum of thirty eight pounds.

Item: I give to my daughter Margaret the sum of thirty-five pounds.

Item: I give to my daughter Content the sum of ten shillings.

Item: I give to my daughter Tabitha the sum of fifty shillings.

Item: I give to my daughter Mary, the sum of eleven pounds and two shillings.

Item: I give to my daughter Hannah, the sum of fifty pounds—Which sums with what I have already given to my daughters above named, makes them their full portions of my estate, and my will is that the above mentioned legacies to my said daughters be paid out of the other two-thirds of my household goods by my

executor, after named, and if any be wanting, my will is that my executor make up the same out of his own estate. And I do hereby constitute, nominate, and appoint my loving son Stephen Johnson, sole executor to this my last will and testament, ratifying, allowing and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal the day above written.

ISAAC JOHNSON

Signed, sealed published and declared by the said Isaac Johnson to be his last will and testament in presence of us

Ebenezer ℰ Robberts
his mark
Giles Hamlin
Wm. Rockwell.

Middletown, April 9th, A. D. 1744. Then personally appeared Messrs. Wm. Rockwell, Ebenezer Roberts and Giles Hamlin, and made solemn oath that they saw Mr. Isaac Johnson dec'd sign & seal the instrument written on this sheet of paper & heard him declare the same to be his last will & testament and that at the same time they judged him the testator to be of sound disposing mind and memory and set to their hands as witnesses to the same in presence of the testator.

Jurantar Coram
Jabez Hamlin

COPY

From copy made by Marion B. Baker, Clerk,
May 4th, 1929.
Recorded in Sharon Probate Records, Vol. 7,
Pages 1 and 2

WILL OF ISAAC[5] JOHNSON IV

In the Name of God, Amen, this 7th day of July A. D. 1785.

I, Isaac Johnson,[5] Husbandman of Canaan in Litchfield County & State of Connecticut being of perfect mind & memory thanks be given to Almighty God but calling to mind the mortality of my body knowing it is appointed for all men to Die I give & Recommend my Soul unto the hands of God that gave it and my Body

I Recommend to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian Burial at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter named. Nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again through the almighty Power of God and touching such worldly Estate as it has pleased God to bless me with in this Life, I give & dispose of the same in the following manner—

Item: I give and bequeath to my well beloved son Timothy Johnson two-sixth Part of all my Real and Personal Estate after my just debts & funeral charges are paid (except five pounds which I hereafter bequeath to my Daughter Submit Harriss) to him the said Timothy his heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my well beloved son Asa Johnson two-sixth parts of all my estate both real and personal except what is above excepted in my bequest to Timothy Johnson to him the said Asa his heirs and assigns forever.

Item: I give & bequeath to the Heirs of my well beloved Daughter Margar Hugg deceased one-sixth part of all my Estate both Real and personal except what is excepted in my bequeath to the above said Timothy Johnson.

Impremiss—I give and bequeath to my Well Beloved Daughter Submit Harris one-sixth part of all my estate both real and personal after my just Debts & funeral charges are paid together with the five pounds above excepted & I do hereby constitute and appoint my said son Asa Johnson & Isaac Hugg to be Executors to this Will or Testament and I do hereby disannull Revoke, Disallow every other Will & Testament Executors or Executor ratifying this & this only to be my Last Will & Testament revoking every other Will Legacy or Bequest.

Signed, sealed exhibited & Pronounced to be my last Will & testament.

Canaan, the date and day

his

Isaac X Johnson

mark

above in presence of

Gideon Post

William Chambers

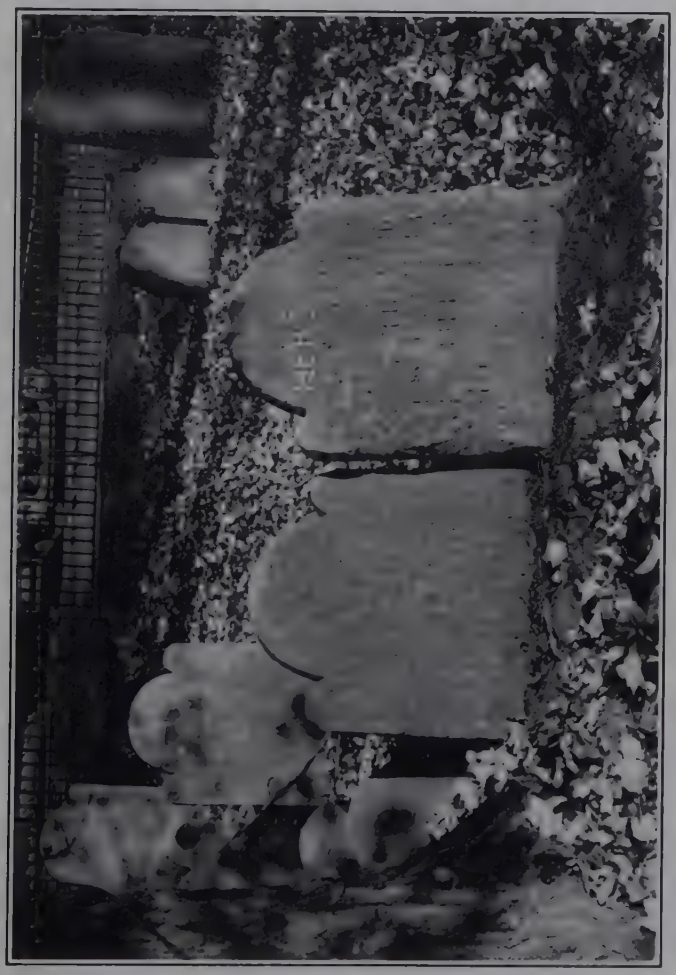
Abiel Tellon

Chimney of home built by Timothy Johnson which was blown down shortly after this picture was taken in 1910, from where it had stood for more than one hundred years.

RIVERSIDE CEMETERY, MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT

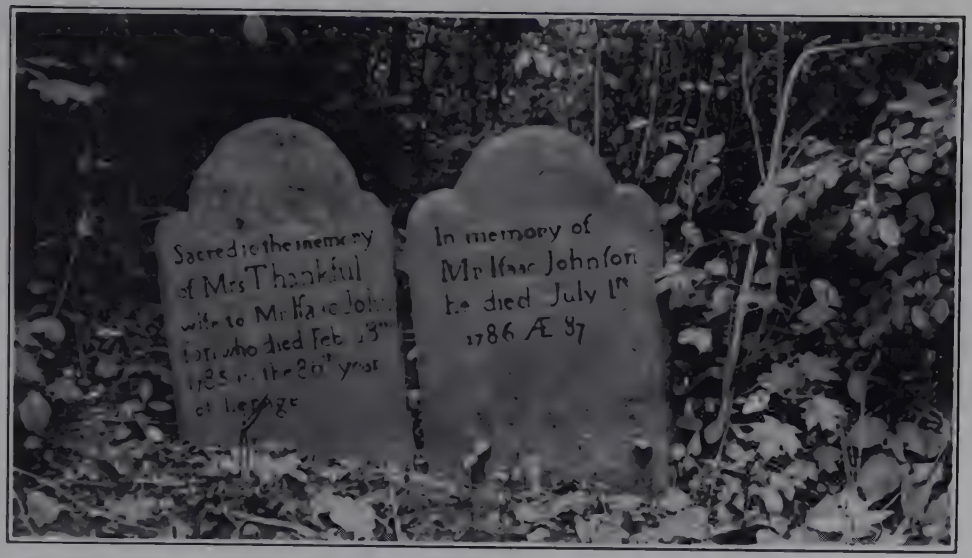
"Here lyeth ye body of Isaac[3] Johnson, who departed this life Feb. 23, 1719, in ye 75 year of his age."

His wife, Mary (Harris) Johnson, is buried in Farm Hills cemetery, Middletown, Connecticut, near that of their son and his wife—Isaac[4] and Margaret (Miller) Johnson. While we have no documentary proof, as Mary died in 1740, it is reasonable to suppose that Farm Hills was a newer cemetery than Riverside.



FARM HILLS CEMETERY, MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT

UNDER MOUNTAIN CEMETERY, SOUTH CANAAN, CONN.



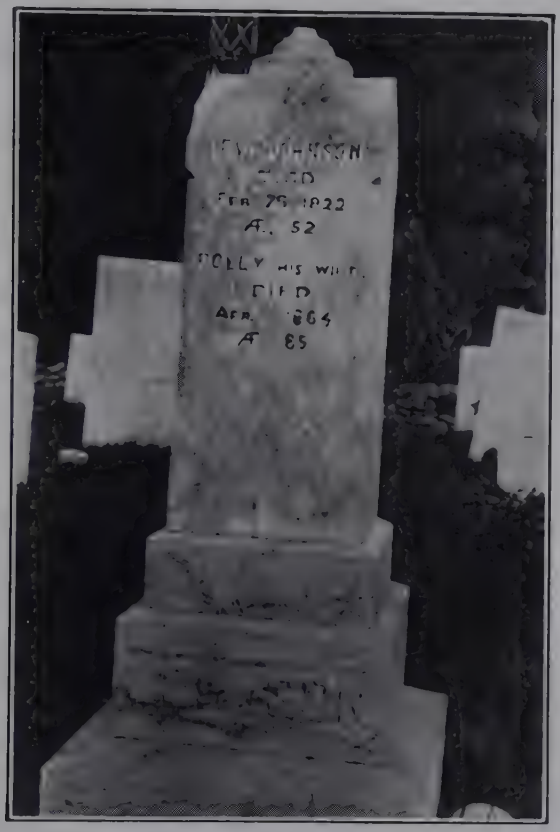
IV. ISAAC JOHNSON and THANKFUL (Cowles) JOHNSON

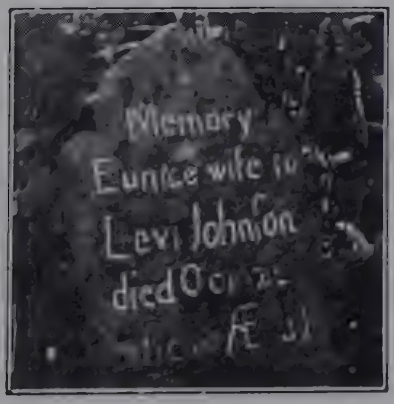
UNDER MOUNTAIN CEMETERY, CANAAN, CONN.

TIMOTHY and MARY (Phelps) JOHNSON

EUNICE, FIRST WIFE OF LEVI, IS BURIED HERE

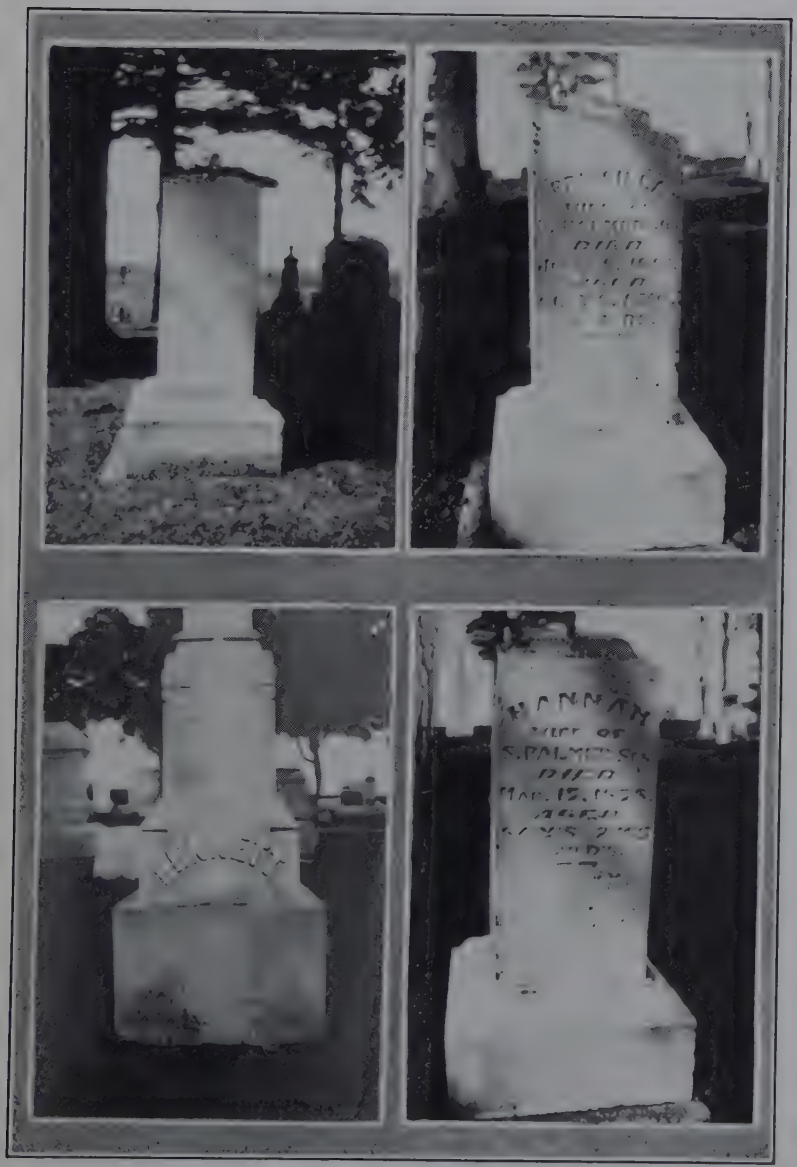
LOWER CITY CEMETERY. LEVI JOHNSON AND POLLY ROOD





UNDER MOUNTAIN CEMETERY—CANAAN, CONNECTICUT
EUNICE, FIRST WIFE OF LEVI JOHNSON

OAKWOOD CEMETERY, MONTICELLO, IOWA



OAKWOOD CEMETERY, MONTICELLO, IOWA

MIDDLETOWN LAND RECORDS

Vol. XXI P. 444

I, Isaac Johnson of Canaan in the County of Litchfield and Colony of Connecticut in New England in America For the Consideration of Two Pounds, Two Shillings, and Six Pence Lawfull Money Received to my full Satisfaction of Stephen Johnson of Middletown in the County of Hartford, and Colony aforesaid—Do Give, Grant, Bargain, Sell and Confirm unto the said Stephen Johnson, and to his Heirs and Assigns forever, One Equal Eighth Part of one Certain Piece of Land, in Quantity & Quality, that was Distributed to me in Common with all the Children of our Father Isaac Johnson late of sd. Middletown Deceased out of the Estate of our honoured Aunt Elisabeth Johnson late of said Middletown Deceased, which was part of her Home Lott, lying in the South Farms, in said Middletown which Eight Rights Contains Four Acres, and an half.

Dated 19 May 1770.

I have carefully compared the foregoing copy with the town records of Middletown, Conn. and the same is a true and correct copy thereof.

MARY L. WHITMAN

Subscribed and sworn to before me Aug. 12, 1912.

(SEAL) HENRY C. WHITMAN,
Notary Public.

LEVI[7] JOHNSON'S DEED FROM TIMOTHY[6] JOHNSON

No will of Timothy Johnson has been found and the following deed is offered as proof of descent.

TO ALL PEOPLE TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME,

GREETING:

Know Ye, That I, Timothy Johnson, of Canaan, in the County of Litchfield State of Connecticut.

For the consideration of Five Hundred Dollars received to my full satisfaction of my son Levi Johnson of said Canaan do give, grant, bargain, sell and confer unto the said Levi, his heirs and assigns, three pieces of land lying in the Southeasterly part of said Canaan and bounded as follows:—

The first piece begins at a heap of stones northerly of my now dwelling house, thence south 60 W 96 rods to a heap of stones; thence northerly to a White Oak a corner of Jeremiah Howe's land; thence north 54 rods to a Butternut stump; thence N 53 E 17 rods; E I N. 27 rods to the Turnpike road; thence N. 15 W 17½ rods to a heap of stones in the line of Howe's land; thence east 3 S. 20 rods; thence S. 37 E. 14 rods thence E 9 N. 20 rods; S. 46 E. 20 rods; S. 20 E. 13 rods to a heap of stones; thence to the first bounds, containing 23 acres & 154 rods of land.

The second begins at a heap of stones in the line of Jerh. Howe's land thence S. 64 30′ W 65 rods; thence S. 2 E. 18 rods to a Chestnut stump; thence E. 3 N. 42 rods to a heap of stones on a a rock; thence S. 3 E. 62 rods to a Black Oak stump; thence E. 3 N. 26 rods to a heap of stones; thence N. 11 W. 50 rods to the corner of Soloman Howes Land; thence to the first bounds & contains 17 acres of land.

The third piece is bounded easterly on land laid to Sarah Watson, and south on Soloman Howe's & Joel Howe's land west on my own land, north on the said Levi Johnson's land, and contains six acres of land.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above granted and bargained premises, with the appurtenances thereof, unto him the said Levi Johnson heirs and assigns forever, to his and their own proper use and behoof. And also, the said Timothy Johnson myself and my heirs, executors, and administrators, covenant with the said Levi heirs and assigns, that at and until the ensealing of these presents, I am well-seized of the premises, as a good indefeasible estate in FEE SIMPLE; and have good right to bargain and sell the same in manner and form as is above written; and that the same is free from all encumbrances whatsoever.

AND FURTHERMORE, I the said Timothy Johnson do by these presents bind myself and my heirs forever to Warrant and Defend the above granted and bargained premises to him the said Levi heirs and assigns against all claims and demands whatsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 15th day of June in the year of our Lord 1807.

Signed, Sealed and delivered in the presence of

John Sedgwick (L.S.)

Parmela Sedgwick TIMOTHY JOHNSON (L.S.)

(L.S.)

State of Connecticut)
County of Litchfield) ss. Cornwall, Day & date above

personally appeared Timothy Johnson Signer and Sealer of the foregoing Instrument, and acknowledge the same to be His free act and deed, before me.

Recd. to recorded March 2nd 1816 — John Sedwick Justice of the Peace

Recorded by Joshua Cromwell, Reg'r — for County

Canaan Conn. May 29th A. D. 1912

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the record as recorded in Canaan Conn. Land Decords Vol. No. 9 at page No. 79.

Attest: J. Lee Ensign
Town Clerk of Canaan Conn.

ESTATE OF LEVI[7] JOHNSON

(as it applies to his daughter Hannah (Johnson) Palmer)

To the Hon. Court of Probate within and for the District of Sharon,

The subscribers having been by your Honour appointed distributors of the real and personal estate of Mr. Levi Johnson, late of Canaan deceased, and having taken the oath prescribed by law for distributors of the estates of persons deceased, have distributed the said estate to the widow and heirs of the deceased in the following manner viz:

To Hannah Palmer—a daughter of the deceased the following articles of personal estate viz:

One bed, underbed, bestead & cord, in the chamber	$ 6.00	
One Cow	16.00	
Three hides wt 140 @ 6	8.40	
11 lb Flax @ 10	1.10	
1017 feet of refuse boards @ $4.50	4.56	
1 large Pewter Platter	.50	
1 Kitchen Table	.40	
605 feet of Hemlock boards @ $6.00	3.63	6
	$40.61	

Also the following described real estate viz: A piece of land lying northeasterly of the dwelling house of the deceased and bounded as follows, Beginning at a heap of stones at the foot of the Mountain a corner of Hows land, thence in his line S. 59-¾ W 1409 links to a heap of stones a corner of land distributed to Hiram Johnson and Mary Root, thence in this line N. 30-¼ W. 582 links to a heap of stones their corner, thence N. 59-¾ E. 1500 links to the line of the farm, thence to the first bounds, containing 8.20038 acres estimated at - - - - - - - - - - - - $158.99

$199.60

(Signed)

Joshua Munson
Wm. M. Burrall
Jno. A. Sedgwick

Distributors of the estate of Levi Johnson dec'd.

Canaan November 4th 1823.

State of Connecticut,) ss.
District of Sharon)

PROBATE OFFICE

Sharon-August 23, 1912.

I, Willard Baker, Clerk of the Court of Probate for the District of Sharon in said State, and keeper of the seal thereof, do certify that within and foregoing is a true examined and exemplified copy of portions of the distributions of the real and personal estate of Levi Johnson, late of Canaan, Litchfield County, Connecticut, deceased, as appears of record and file in the office of said Court, Said distribution being recorded in Book O Pages 554 to 560, of the probate Records of said District,

(SEAL.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto affixed the Seal of said Court, and subscribed my name, at Sharon, Connecticut, this 23 day of August, 1912.

William Baker, Clerk.

State of Connecticut, SS.

I, Frank W. Dakin Sole Judge of the Court of Probate for the District of Sharon in said State, do hereby certify that Willard Baker whose name is subscribed to the above attestation, was at the time of signing the same and still is, Clerk of said Court, and that said attestation is in due form of law.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name at Sharon, Connecticut this day of A. D. 1912.

FRANK W. DAKIN, Judge.

State of Connecticut)
County of Litchfield) ss.

I, Willard Baker, Clerk of the Court of Probate within and for the District of Sharon, in said County of Litchfield do certify that Frank W. Dakin is the sole and presiding Judge of said Court of Probate within and for the District of Sharon duly qualified and commissioned, and that the above signature of said Judge is genuine.

In Testimony Whereof I Have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court on this 23rd day of August, 1912.

Willard Baker, Clerk

(SEAL)

COPY OF LEMAN PALMER AND HANNAH PALMER'S DEED TO HIRAM JOHNSON.

TO ALL PEOPLE TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:

KNOW YE, That we, Leman Palmer and Hannah Palmer, wife of said Leman Palmer of Canaan, in Litchfield County, State of Connecticut for the consideration of Two Hundred Dollars, received to my full satisfaction of Hiram Johnson of Canaan aforesaid, do give, grant, bargain, sell and confirm unto the said Hiram Johnson, his heirs and assigns forever the following described tract of land in said Canaan, Connecticut, bounded as follows: viz:

East by said Hiram Johnson and Soloman Howe's land, South by widow Polly Johnson and said Hiram Johnson's land and North by said Polly Johnson and Hiram Johnson, and South by Soloman Howe and Almon Howe's land, containing about 8 acres, be it the same more or less, and is the same land distributed to the said Hannah Palmer from the estate of her Father, Levi Johnson, late of Canaan deceased; also the right of passing to and from said land from the highway according to a reservation made in the distribution of said Levi Johnson's Estate.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above granted and bargained premises, with the appurtenances thereof, unto him and the said Hiram Johnson heirs and assigns, forever, to his and their own proper

use and behoof. And also, we the said grantors do for ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, covenant with the said grantee Hiram Johnson heirs and assigns, that at and until the ensealing of these presents, we are well-seized of the premises, as a good indefeasible estate in FEE SIMPLE; and have good right to bargain and sell the same in manner and form as is above written; and that the same is free from all encumbrances whatsoever.

AND FURTHERMORE, We, the said Leman Palmer and Hannah Palmer do by these presents bind ourselves and our heirs forever to Warrant and Defend the above granted and bargained premises to him, The said Hiram Johnson, his heirs and assigns, against all claims and demands whatsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 7th day of October in the year of our Lord, eighteen hundred and twenty seven (1827)

Leman Palmer
Hannah Palmer

Signed sealed and delivered
in the presence of
Alzona Johnson
Wm. Holabird

COPY OF LEMAN PALMER AND HANNAH PALMER'S DEED TO HIRAM JOHNSON.

State of Connecticut)
County of Litchfield) ss. Canaan, October 7th, A. D. 1827.

Personally appeared Leman Palmer and Hannah Palmer, Signers and sealers of the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged the same to be their free act and deed, before me

William Holabird
Justice of the Peace.

Received for record October 6th, 1827,
and recorded by Benejah Douglas Reg'r
(Land Records—Vol. 12 Page 16)

OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK OF TOWN OF CANAAN, CONN.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the record as recorded in Canaan, Conn. Land Records, Vol. No. 12 at page No.

16, with the exception where boundary says North, it should be West.

J. Lee Ensign
Town Clerk of Canaan, Conn.

ESTATE OF LEMAN PALMER (WIFE HANNAH[8] JOHNSON)

Trumbull County, Ohio
Probate Record Book 18 Page 12 & 13.
COPY

The deceased having left a widow we set off to her the following property without appraising the same as directed by statute. 2 spinning wheels, one Bible, one cow, fifteen pounds of wool, one bedstead and bedding, one kettle, clothing and wearing apparel of the deceased, one table, six chairs, six knives, two plates, one set of cups and saucers, one sugar bowl, one teapot, eight spoons, the wearing apparel of the widow.

November 3, 1851.

Signed Sherman Cooley)
George W. Root) Appraisers
James W. Bradley)

We the undersigned appraisers of the estate and property of Leman Palmer deceased, after being duly sworn have made an inventory and appraisement thereof as follows:

1 Mow of Hay	$5.00	3 Butter knives	.37½
3 Old barrels	.37½	1 Feather bed and 3	
1 Basket	.37½	quilts	3.00
1 Scythe and Snath	.12½	3 Table cloths	1.25
I Lot tin ware	.75	1 Pork barrel and Pork	1.50
1 Wooden bowl	.25	1 Half-Bushel	.25
2 Barrels	.50	Cash	3.78
1 Iron Wedge	.12½	3 Chests	2.50
1 Axe	1.00	1 old Bellows	.12½
1 Pair Sheep Shears	.25	1 Tin Baker	.25
1 Old Pitchfork	.15	3 Gallon Jugs	.25
1 Nail hammer	.25	1 Pail	.12
68 Shocks of Corn	5.25	1 Bedstead	.50
18 lbs. Wool @ 25c per		1 Deep plate	.10
pound	4.50	1 Old Clock	.06

Johnston, November 3, 1851

George W. Root) Appraisers
James D. Bradley)
Signed Sherman Cooley)

Filed January 7, 1852.

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF ROBERT HENDERSON (HUSBAND OF POLLY[9] (PALMER) HENDERSON)

I, Robert Henderson, of Monticello, Jones county, Iowa, being of legal age and sound mind and memory, do make, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament, hereby revoking all wills by me at any time heretofore made.

Item I. I direct first that all of my just debts and funeral expenses be paid out of my estate.

Item II. I will, devise and bequeath to my only living son, Robert W. Henderson, one-fifth of all my estate to be paid to him first out of my estate immediately after the payment of my just debts and funeral expenses.

Item III. All of the rest, residue and remainder of my estate of every kind and nature, after the payment of my said debts and expenses and the payment of the legacy provided for my son, Robert W. Henderson, I will, devise and bequeath in equal one-fourth shares to my daughter, Mrs. Jennie Porter, the wife of J. F. Porter of Davenport, Iowa, my daughter, Mrs. Ella Bartholomew, the wife of Charles L. Bartholomew, of Minneapolis, Minn., to my son, Robert W. Henderson and to the two daughters of my deceased son, Charles Henderson, that is Mrs. Fannie Schrom, the wife of F. J. Schrom, of Rockford, Ill. and Mrs. Ruth Callan, the wife of J. J. Callan, of Chicago, Ill. That is to say, my grandchildren are to receive together one-fourth share of the remainder of my estate after payment of my debts and the special legacy to my said son, Robert W. Henderson, and my said two daughters, Jennie Porter and Ella Bartholomew, and my said son, Robert W. Henderson to receive the same one-fourth share of the remainder of my estate after payment of the said debts and the said special legacy to said son as herein above provided.

Item IV. I desire and request that my said son, Robert W. Henderson, and my said two daughters, Jennie Porter and Ella Bartholomew as soon after my death as is suitable and practical take posses-

sion of all of my household goods and effects and immediate personal belongings and make such fair and equitable distribution and division thereof as seems right and just to them, taking into consideration in such division to the extent they, my said children, think best my said two grandchildren.

I make this request as to division of my household effects and personal belongings so that my executors hereinafter named may be saved the expense and annoyance and unnecessary publicity of a formal inventory, appraisement and sale of such household effects and personal belongings.

Item V. I hereby nominate and appoint as joint executors of my last will and testament, my said son, Robert W. Henderson, and my esteemed friend, Cecil W. Hosford, and request that both of these executors be relieved from the necessity of giving bonds as such executors.

In Witness Whereof, I have to this my last will and testament (consisting of two sheets of paper) subscribed my name this 13th day of March 1912.

(Signed) Robert Henderson

WITNESSES:

Nellie M. Bevington, of Monticello, Iowa.
Joseph F. Porter, of Davenport, Iowa.

We hereby certify that on this 13th. day of March, 1912, at Monticello, in Jones County, Iowa, Robert Henderson, to us personally known, did in our presence sign the foregoing instrument and declare the same to be his last will and testament; and we at his request, and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, do hereunto subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

WITNESSES: Nellie M. Bevington of Monticello, Iowa
Joseph F. Porter of Davenport, Iowa.

VITAL STATISTICS OF THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN

Births, Deaths and Marriages (Compiled by W. E. Johnson)

Vol O P 47 Isaac,[4] son to Isaac[3] Johnson and Mary his wife, was born the 19th day of December, 1670.

Vol O P 47 The widow Mary Johnson died August 1, 1740.

Vol O P 47 Isaac[4] Johnson and Margaret Miller were joined in marriage covenant, Sept. 12, 1695.

Vol O P 54 MARGARET, daughter to Thomas Miller and Sarah his wife, was born September 1, 1676.

Vol O P 47 ISAAC[6] son to Isaac Johnson and Margaret, his wife, was born April 19, 1703.

Vol I P 22 ISAAC[6] JOHNSON of Middletown and Thankful Cowles of Farmington were Joyned in Marriage Covenant October 26, 1726.

TIMOTHY[7], son to Isaac and Thankful his wife was born June 2nd, 1729.

From Canaan Land Records, Vol. 2, Page 5—TIMOTHY JOHNSON of Canaan was married to MARY PHELPS of Windsor, Dec. 5, 1753.

"A BOOK OF RECORDS OF THE AFFAIRS OF THE FIRST CHURCH OF CANAAN (CONN.)."

On page 21, under date August 7, 1769, under the head of Baptisms, is the following: "LEVI[8] JOHNSON, son of Timothy Johnson his wife absent."

This entry is preceded by entry in due form of Baptism, on August 6, 1769, of "Chauncey Belden, son of Chris Belden, his wife being a member of church."

Levi's baptism record is followed by the quaint record, on same date of "Anne Calliday, Daughter of John Colby, on wife's account." We may assume that he was not a member of that church."

(This is from certified copy procured by C. Marsh.)

FROM PROBATE RECORDS OF WINDSOR

JEMIMA wife of Enoch Palmer died May 28, 1790.

(Enoch mentions his son BENJAMIN PALMER in his will.)

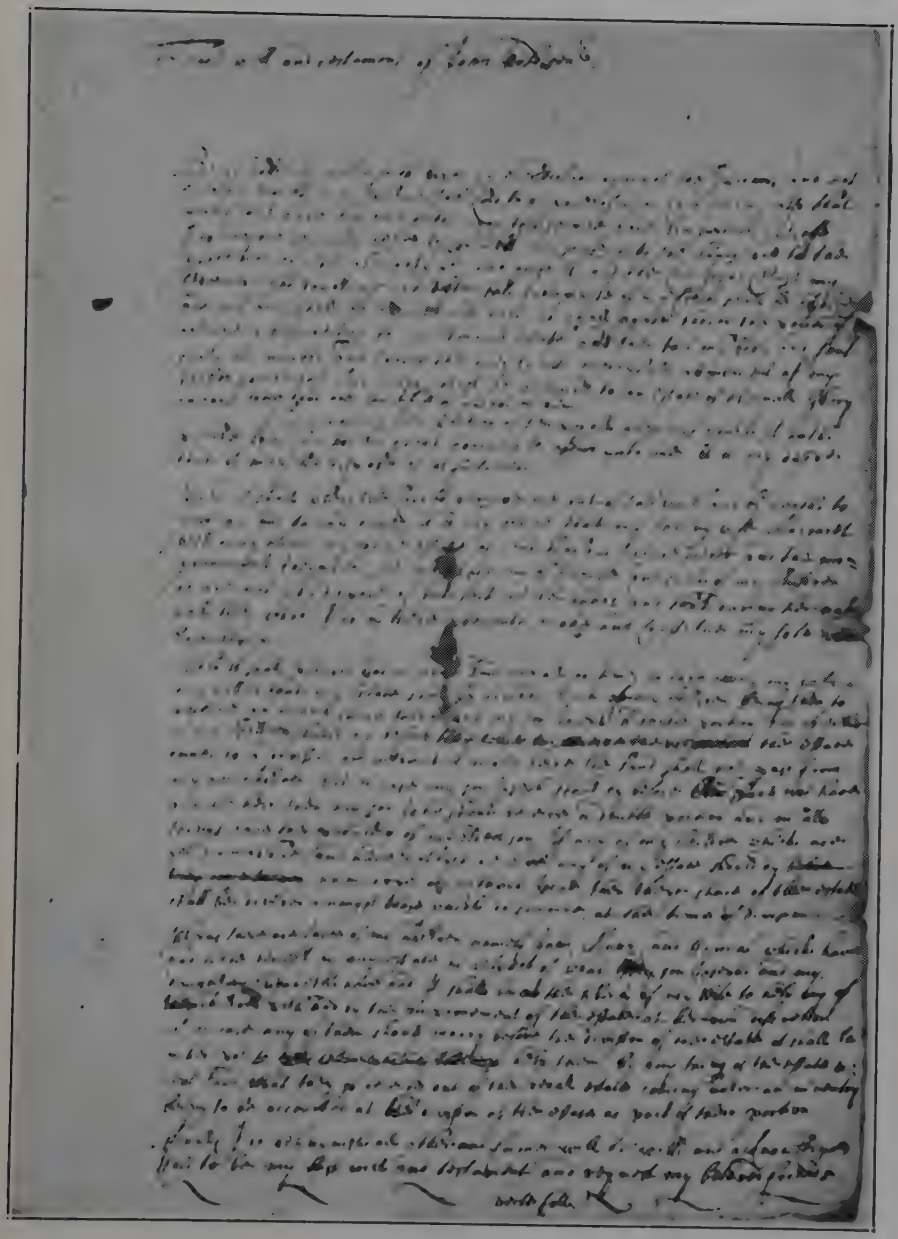
LEMAN PALMER, son of Benjamin and Sarah his wife, was born March 12-1787.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

The Marriage record of Robert Henderson and Polly Palmer in Bazetta, Ohio, March 3, 1861, is found in Warren, Ohio, and those of her four children, together with most of the tenth generation of the Middle West (descendants of Hannah Johnson) may be found among the Court records in Anamosa, Iowa, Jones Co.

WILLS

JOHN WELD'S WILL



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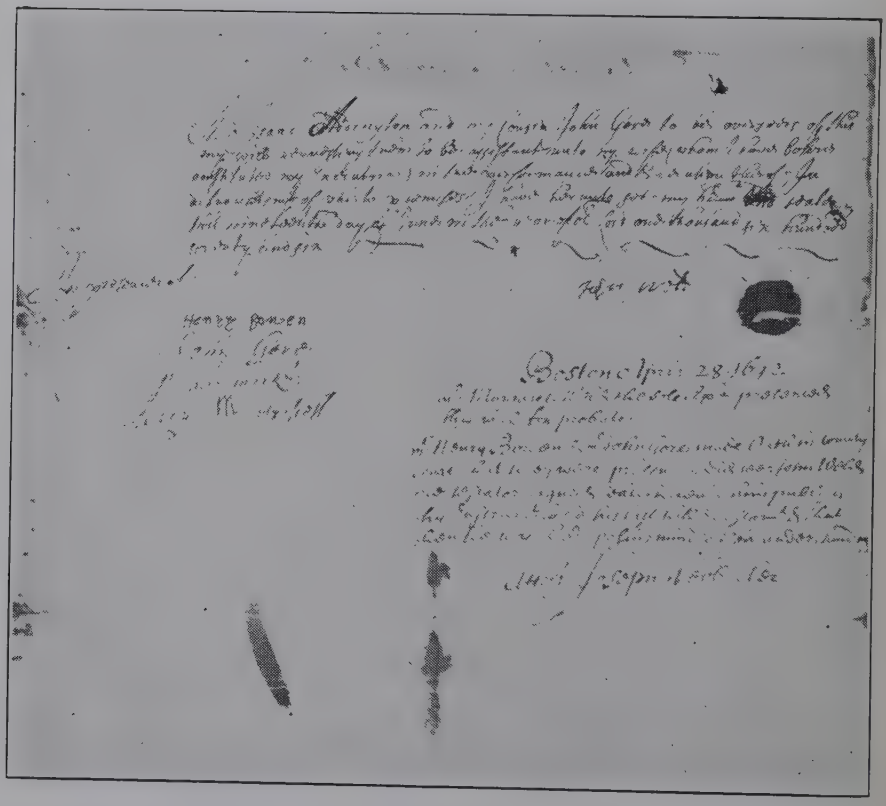

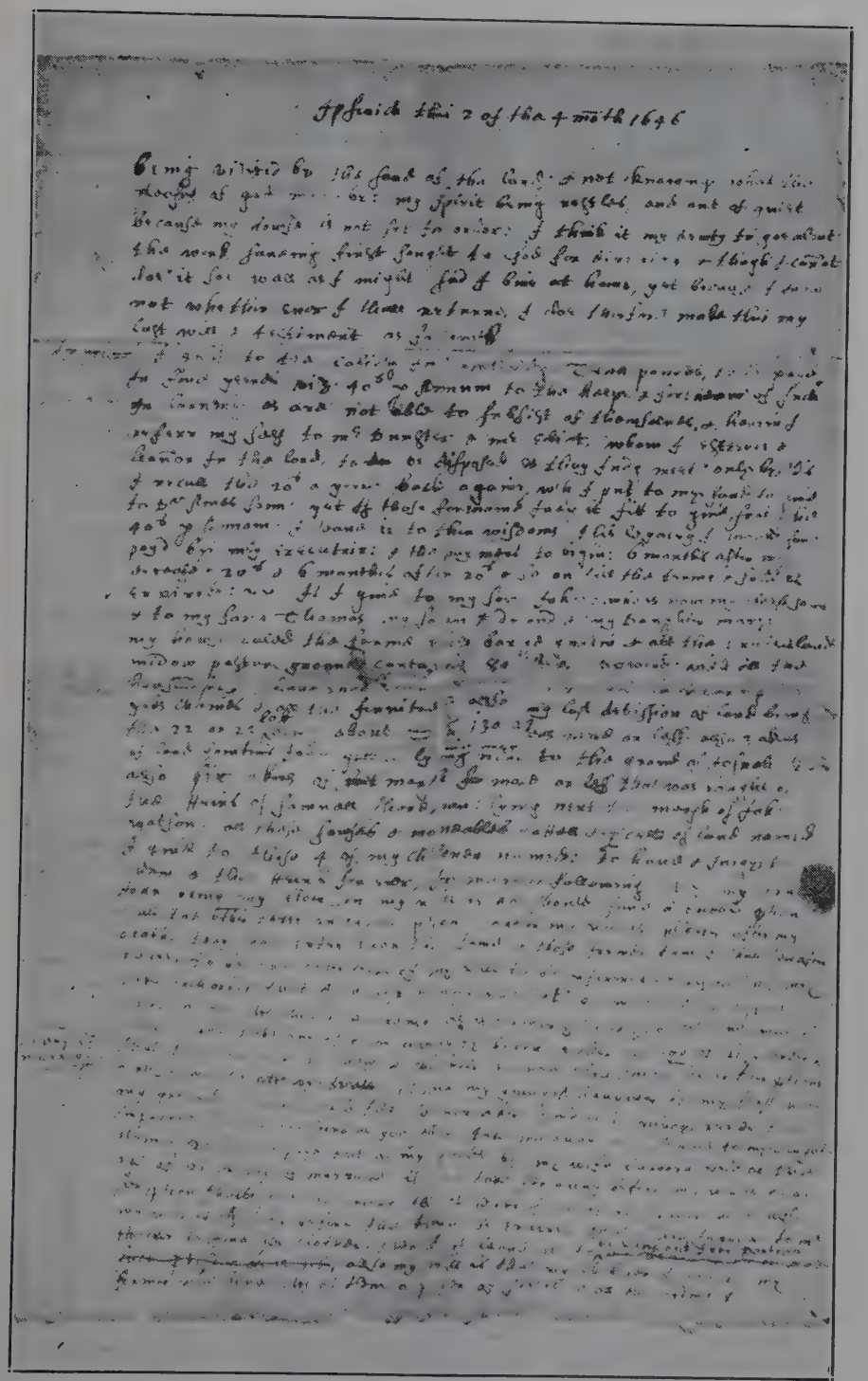

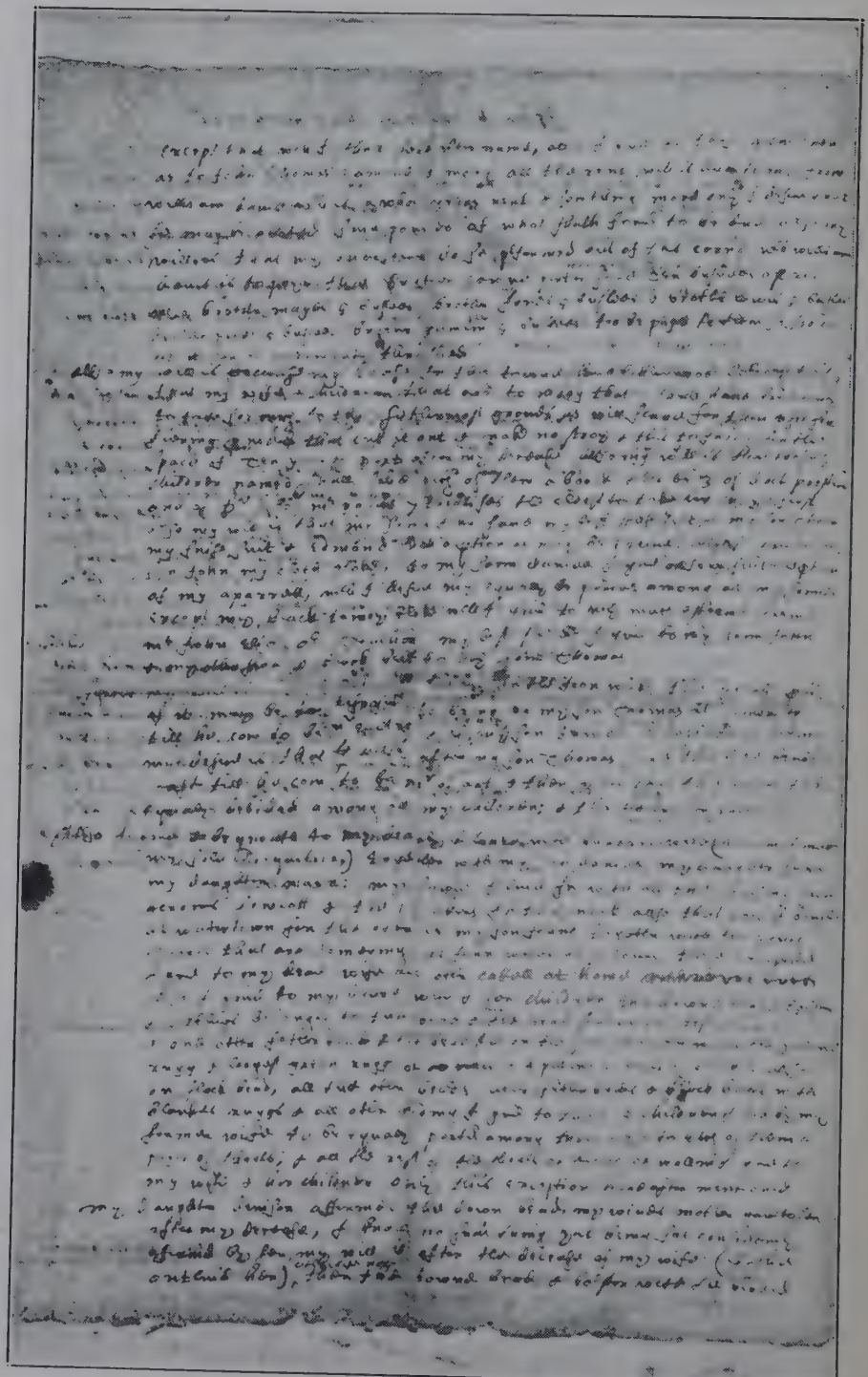

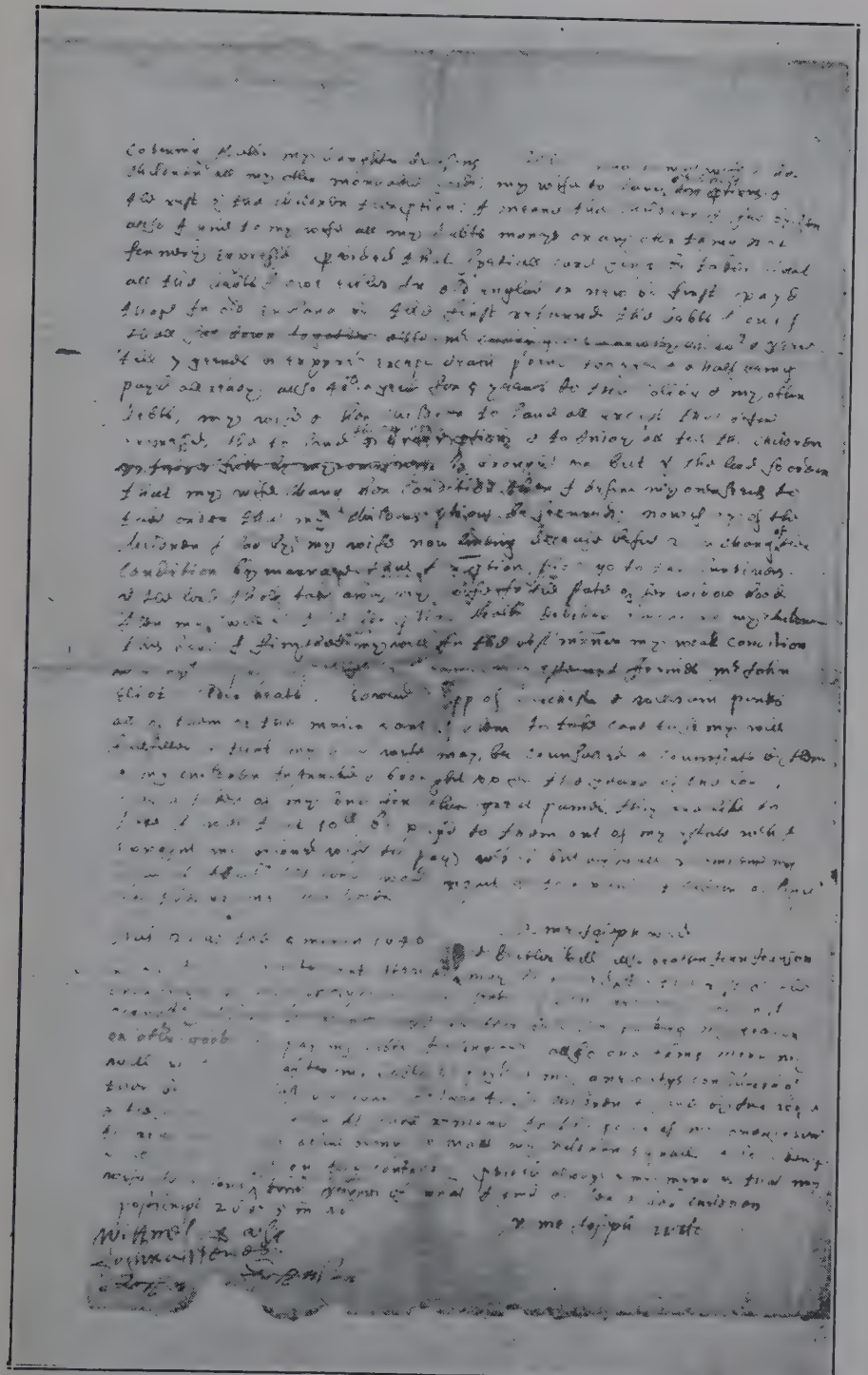

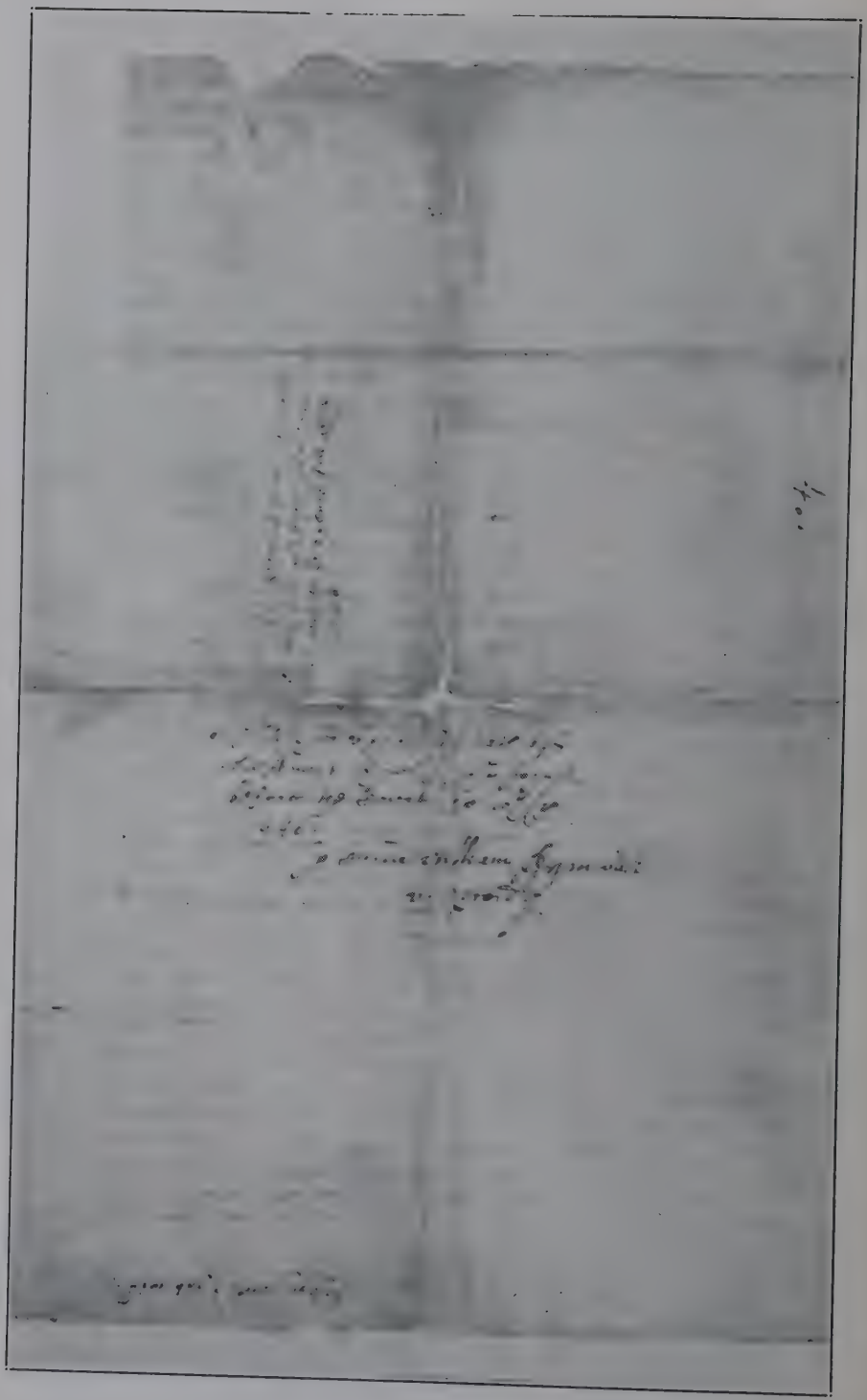

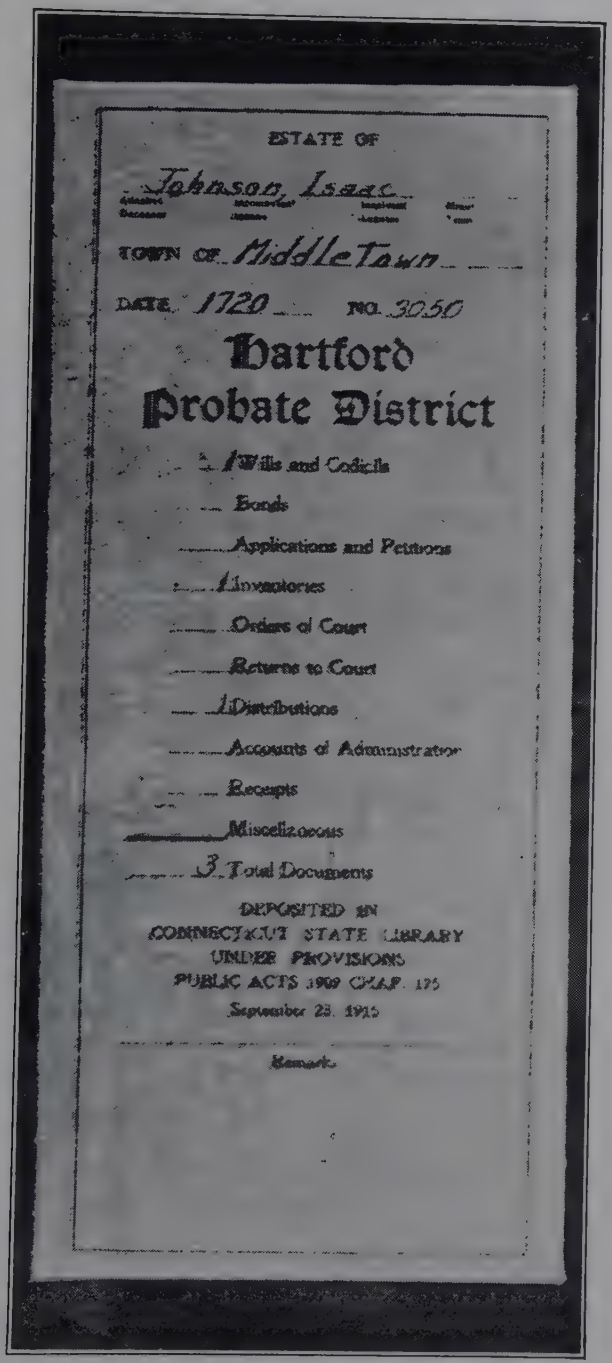

ESTATE OF

Johnson, Isaac

TOWN OF Middletown

DATE 1720 NO. 3050

Hartford
Probate District

1 Wills and Codicils

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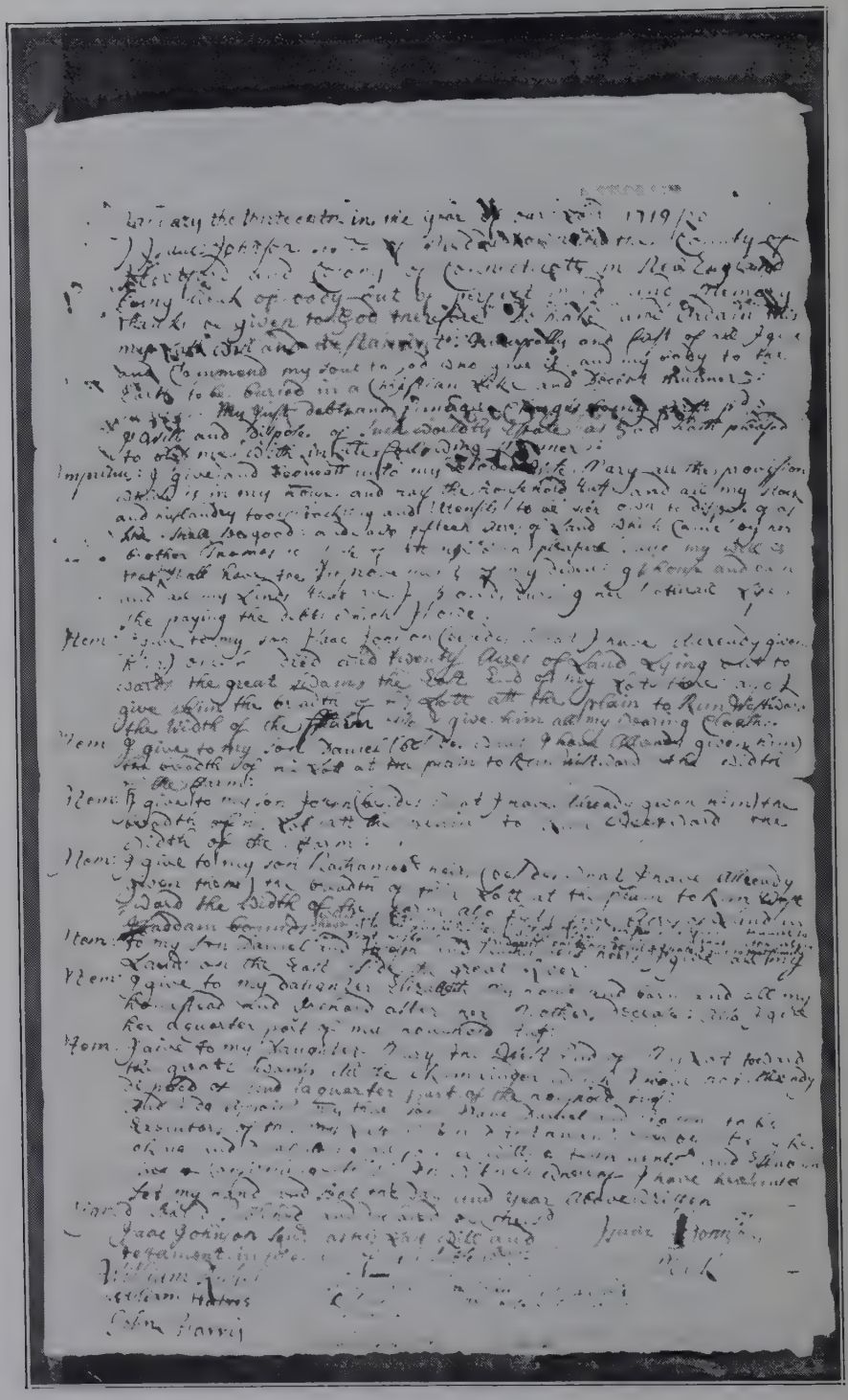
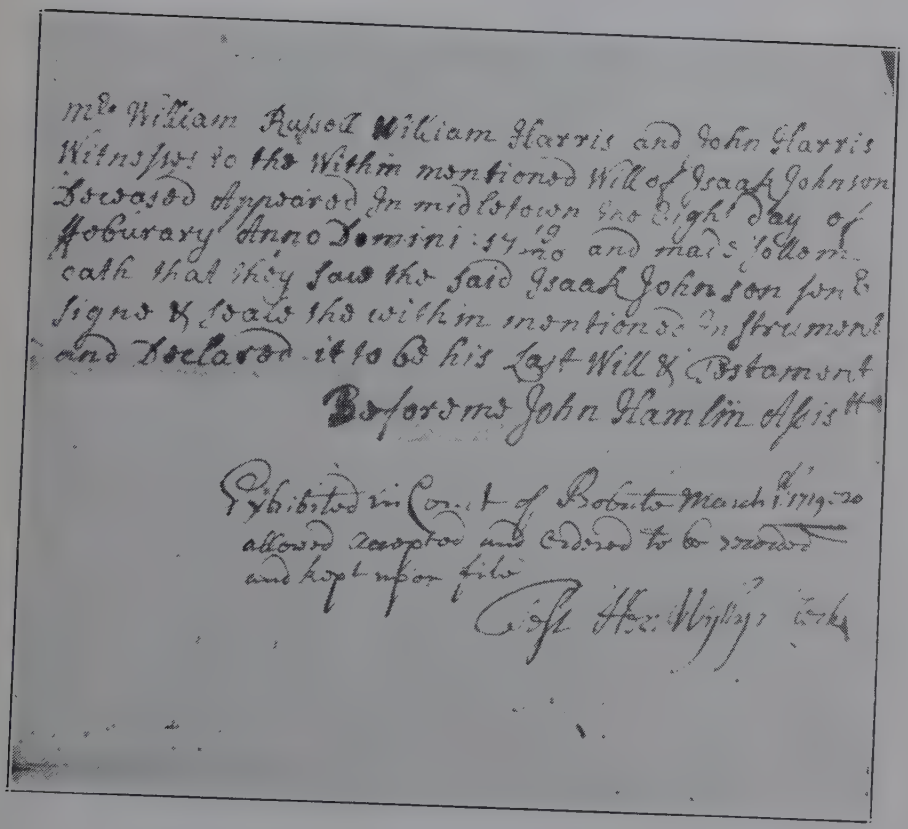


THE WILL OF ISAAC JOHNSON II

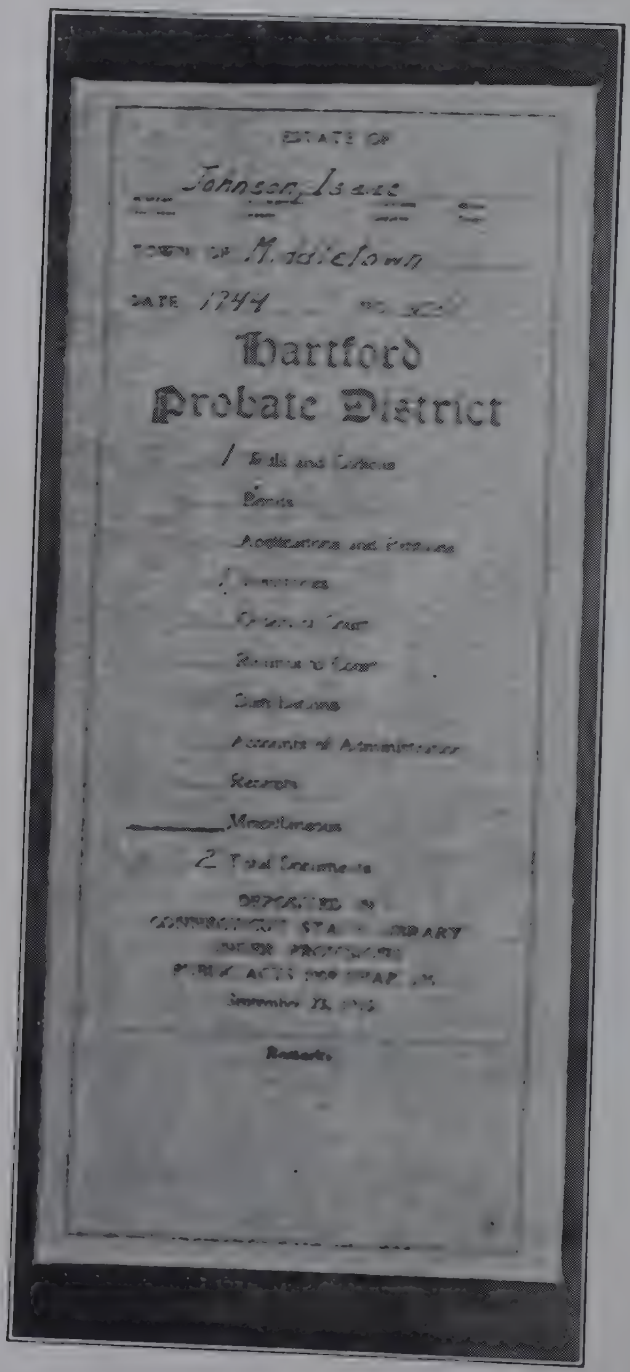


Mr. William Russell William Harris and John Harris
Witnesses to the Within mentioned Will of Isaak Johnson
Deceased Appeared in middletown the Eight day of
February Anno Domini 1719/20 and made Solemn
oath that they saw the said Isaak Johnson Jun.r
Signe & Seale the within mentioned Instrument
and Declared it to be his Last Will & Testament

Before me John Hamlin Assis.t

Exhibited in Court of Probate March 1.st 1719-20
allowed accepted and ordered to be recorded
and kept upon file

Test Hez: Wyllys Cler.k


ESTATE OF

Johnson, Isaac

TOWN OF Middletown

DATE 1744

Hartford
Probate District

1 Wills and Codicils

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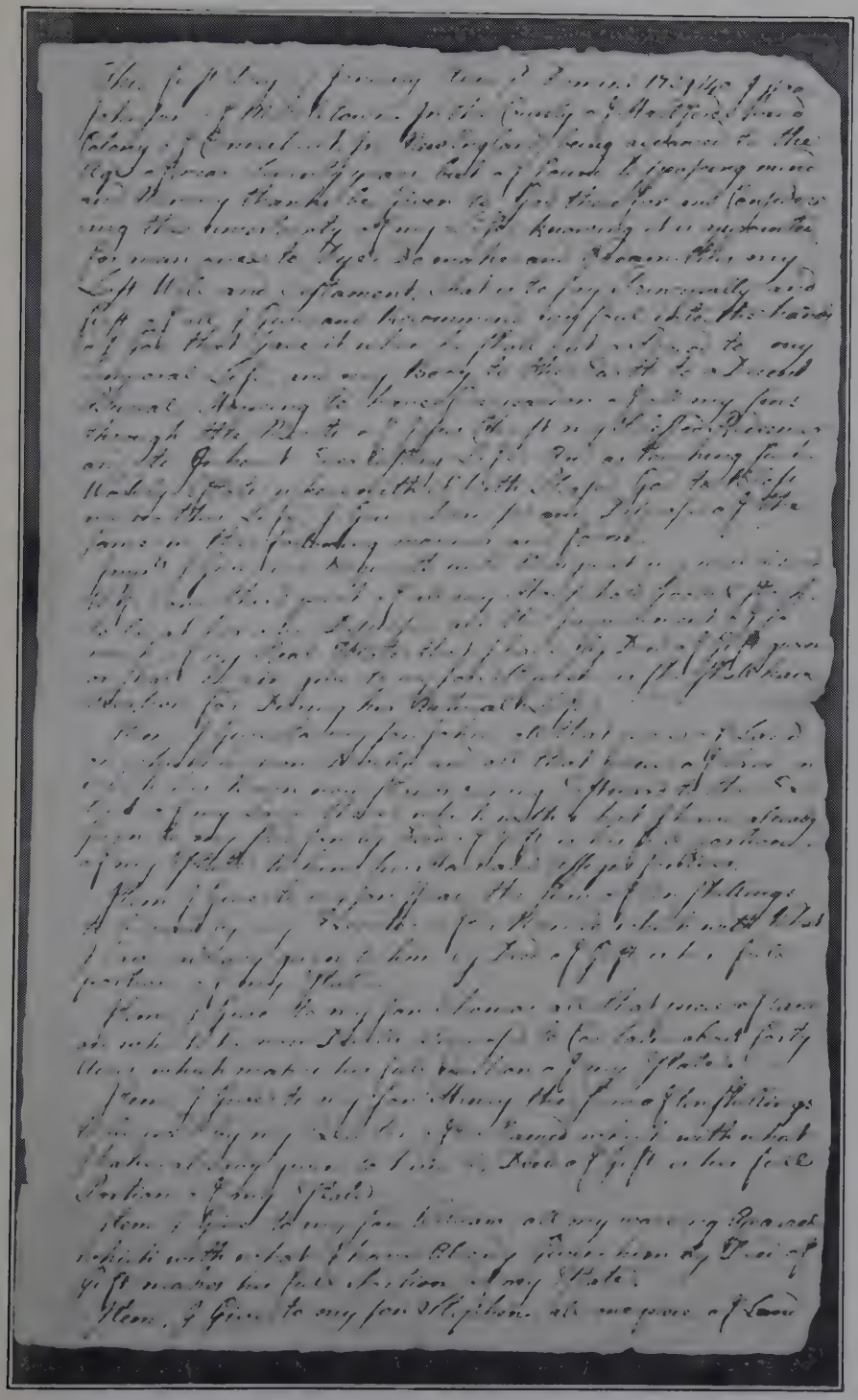
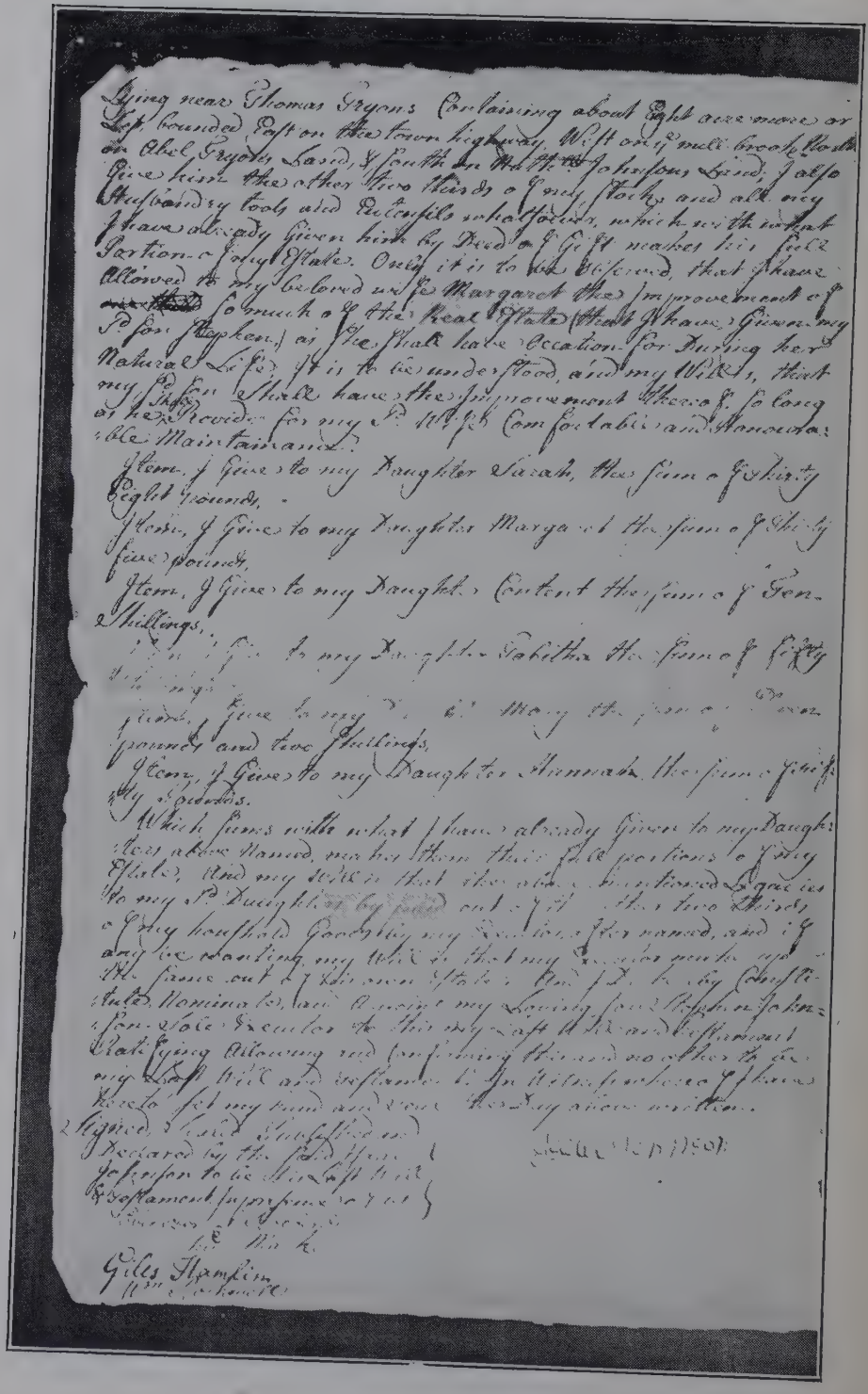




lying near Thomas Bryans Containing about Eight acres more or
Less bounded East on the town highway, West on y[e] mill Brook North
on Abel Bryants Land, & South on Walter Johnsons Land, I also
Give him the other two thirds of my Stock and all my
Husbandry tools and Utensils what soever, which with what
I have already Given him by Deed of Gift makes his Full
Portion of my Estate. Only it is to be observed, that I have
allowed to my beloved wife Margaret the Improvement of
so much of the Real Estate that I have Given my
Son Stephen as she shall have occation for During her
Natural Life. It is to be understood, and my Will is, that
my Son Stephen shall have the Improvement thereof so long
as he Provides for my Sd Wife Comfortable and Honourable
Maintainance.

Item. I Give to my Daughter Sarah, the Sum of Sixty
Eight pounds.

Item. I Give to my Daughter Margaret the Sum of Sixty
five pounds.

Item. I Give to my Daughter Content the Sum of Ten
Shillings.

Item. I Give to my Daughter Tabitha the Sum of Fifty
[illegible]

Item. I Give to my Daughter Mary the Sum of Seven
pounds and two Shillings.

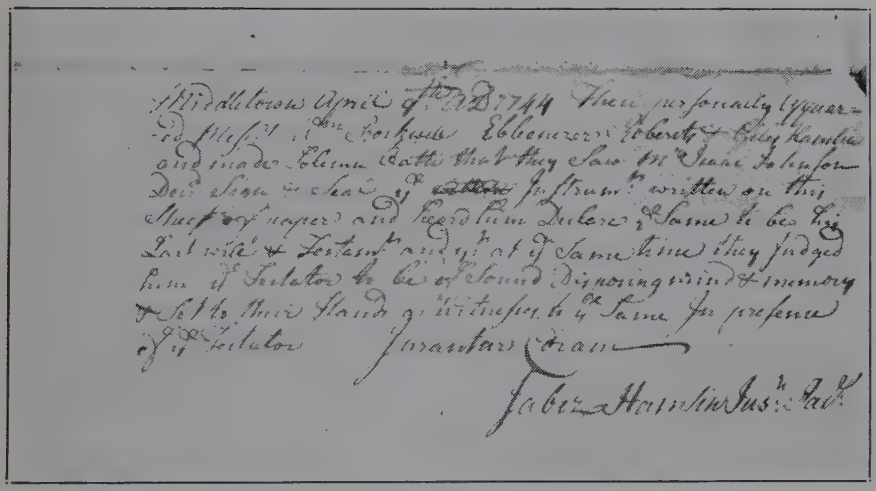
Item. I Give to my Daughter Hannah the Sum of Fifty
pounds.

Which Sums with what I have already Given to my Daughters above Named, make them their full portions of my
Estate. And my Will is that the above mentioned Legacies
to my Sd Daughters be paid out of all the two thirds
of my household Goods by my Executors after named, and if
any be wanting my Will is that my Executors pay the
same out of the main Estate. And I do by this Instrument Nominate, Ordain & appoint my Loving Son Stephen Johnson Sole Executor of this my last Will & Testament
Ratifying Allowing and Confirming this and no other to be
my Last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have
hereto set my hand and Seal the Day above written.

Signed Sealed Published and
Declared by the Said Isaac
Johnson to be his Last Will
& Testament in presence of us

Giles Hamlin
Wm Ashwell

THE WILL OF ISAAC JOHNSON III



CONCLUSION

Realizing the shortcomings of this book, we send it forth, that the descendants of those pioneer ancestors may have the records in our possession, for a nucleus for a much more complete work should they desire to compile it at a later time.

We have been quite successful in securing wills and deeds and cemetery records for the direct line, yet there are more needed to establish side lines.

The assembling of so many photos has been a very difficult task and has required some discrimination and hard work to secure copies and to place them properly in this book.

Daguerreotypes, tin types, old fashioned "card" pictures, group pictures, kodak photos and "cabinet" sizes have all added to the problem and withal there were many others left out whom we should like to have included. The youthful pictures of some were used, with the thought that the younger generations would probably be provided with the more mature ones of their parents, and space for pasting in their favorites will appear in blank pages at the end of the book.